

Nursery News Hedgehog Class

Notice Board:

This newsletter will give you an outline of what we will be doing in nursery next week. There will also be some suggested activities for you to do at home with your child to support their learning.

As we are a beyond healthy school, please remember to always ensure that your child's lunch is balanced and contains fruit and vegetables. A small treat is welcomed but please be mindful of sugar levels. Please do not use anything containing nuts.

Please return your child's PE kit if you haven't already

Please send in spare clothes for your child, especially underwear, trousers, socks and tights. We seem to be low on school spares (particularly trousers, socks and tights) so if you have any school spares at home, please bring these in. We are always happy for donations as well 😊

If you took your child's wellies home over Christmas, please bring these back before Tuesday as we will be visiting the conservation area. Thank you.

If you have any questions regarding nursery or have anything you want to let me know, feel free to email me:

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What we have been up to this week...

Montessori:

Here I will be showing the Montessori learning the children have been doing. Each month, the finger-strong activities on the practical life shelf change and are themed to a colour. January is white. The children enjoy accessing these themselves and know that they need to get a mat and tidy it away when they are finished.



The children have been exploring the new topic activities we have in the classroom this week. Our role-play area is now the Polar Regions where the children can pretend to be explorers. Our small world has arctic animals and Inuit people (which the children will be learning about later in the topic). We have new activities on the topic shelf as well. We were very lucky to get some snow on Monday, which was a perfect start to our 'Where Does Snow Go?' topic!



What we will be doing next week...

Literacy: The children will start oral blending with Fred the Frog. Fred is the Read Write Inc frog who speaks in sounds, so instead of saying 'hat' he would say 'h-a-t'. The children then have to blend these sounds to help them know what Fred is saying.

Maths: The children will be adding quantities to match written numbers up to 10.

Communication and Language: We will work on using prepositions. There will be a toy placed under, on, beside, in front of, and behind a chair and the children will need to say where thy toy is positioned.

Understanding of the World: Weather permitting, we will be visiting the conservation area on Tuesday afternoon for our memorable experience for our topic 'Where Does Snow Go?'. This will be a winter walk where the children will use their senses to explore the signs of winter. Please bring back your child's wellies if you took them home over Christmas.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:
We will recap our golden rules: "I am honest"
"I listen well" "I am gentle" "I look after things"
"I am kind and helpful" and "I try hard".

Physical development: The children will continue with their gymnastics unit in PE on Thursday.

Choose a Challenge:

These activities are only suggestions, feel free to do as many or as few as you like (there is no obligation to do any).

Literacy: Play initial sound 'I Spy' with your child. For example "I spy with my little eye something beginning with mmm". This encourages the children to think about the sounds in words.

Maths: Encourage your child to match quantities to the written number. Write some numbers on small pieces of paper then count out beads/buttons/toys and ask your child to match the written number to the correct number of objects.

Understanding of the World: Talk to your child about the signs of winter and what we wear in the winter.