



# Nursery Newsletter Spring 1 2025

Happy New Year! I hope all families have had a lovely Christmas break. What a super time in nursery we had last half-term! It was lovely to welcome parents and grandparents into our classroom during nursery rhyme week and to celebrate the feast of Saint Nicholas. We hope you enjoyed joining us. Please look out for the next date to join us!

The children performed in their first EYFS nativity and it was lovely to watch. We also had a very enjoyable nocturnal animals workshop where the children learnt lots about the animals which come out at night.

Thank you so much for your continued support. Our theme this half term is 'People Who Help Us'.



## Mathematics

Our maths learning will be all about numbers 3, 4, and 5.

We'll learn fast recognition of up to 3 objects, 'finger numbers' up to 5 and counting by touching each object.

We'll also recognise the numerals up to 5 and match to the correct quantity.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term, there will be lots of opportunity for role play as part of our learning about people who help us. This links well to support with building relationships as children will have the opportunity and be encouraged to play in small groups with the role play activities.

## Physical Development

PE lessons will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays to develop gross motor skills. Please ensure that earrings are removed on these days.

We will develop fine motor skills by using a range of tools. E.g. pencils, paint brushes and scissors.

## Communication and Language

We will continue to learn a new nursery rhyme each week. These are the rhymes for this half-term:

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Three in a Bed

5 Snowmen

5 Green Bottles

5 Fingers

Alice the Camel

We will also keep singing the ones we've already learnt. Thank

## Understanding the World

We hope to have a few special visitors coming in to speak to us about their important jobs and how they help us. I wonder if the children will be able to guess their jobs from their uniforms, equipment and vehicles!

## Literacy

Here's some of the texts we'll explore:

Topsy and Tim go to the Hospital

Topsy and Tim meet the Firefighters

Our traditional tale this half-term will be The Three Little Pigs.

## Expressive Arts and Design

We will encourage children to make imaginative and complex small worlds with blocks and construction kits, such as different buildings.

During weekly sessions with Mrs Cliffe, our music teacher, the children will explore sounds using voices, body percussion and instruments.

## RE

In RE, we will begin with the story of the birth of Jesus.

We will then look at Baptism. **If your child was Baptised, please send in a photo next week.**

## People Who Help Us Dressing Up Day

Wednesday 29th January

To support our learning about people who help us, we are asking children to come to school dressed as someone who helps others in their job. Below are some ideas:

Firefighter, nurse, doctor, police officer, teacher, librarian, builder, dentist, vet, lifeguard, chef, cleaner, shop worker, post man and many, many more!



## Dates to Remember

### Watch Me Learn Maths

Parents and grandparents are invited into the nursery classroom to watch our maths learning and to then join the children with their maths activities.

Monday 13th January  
9:30 - 10:30

### People Who Help Us Dressing Up Day

Children (if they wish) can come into school dressed as someone who helps others in their job.

Wednesday 29th January

### Parent Coffee Morning

Learn how to help your child sleep well.

Friday 7th February 9 - 10:30

### Dress Up as a Sports Star Day

All children (if they wish) can come to school dressed as their favourite sports star.

Wednesday 12th February

### School Closes

Friday 14th February

## Can You Help Our Nursery Children?

### People who help us



Our Nursery children would love visitors to tell them about their job helping others. If you or a family member work as a police officer, firefighter, doctor, nurse, vet, builder, dentist or any other job that involves helping others and can spare a few minutes to talk to our Nursery children, please contact Mrs Byrne, Mrs Hamilton or the school office. Your help will be much appreciated.

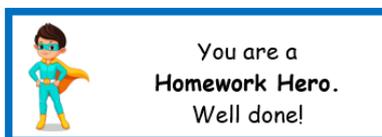
**Spare clothes** - If your child goes home in our spare clothes, can you please return them to nursery. Your child should have their own spare clothes in nursery which remain on their peg until needed.

## Homework

Please remember to give £1 snack money each week.

Your child's blue Learning Together book should be returned each Wednesday with one of the tasks completed from the grid. Please also use Evidence Me to submit homework if you're able to.

A few children each week are chosen to share their homework with their friends. They really enjoy doing this and feel proud. One child is then chosen as the homework hero.



If you have any problems using Evidence Me, please speak to Mrs Byrne or Miss Delves at the end of the school day.

## Questions or Queries?

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the nursery team. The best time is at the end of the school day, or alternatively you can contact the school office to book an appointment.

## Staff



Mrs Byrne  
Class Teacher



Mrs Cunningham  
Early Years  
Teaching  
Assistant



Mrs Robinson  
Early Years  
Assistant



Miss Delves  
Teacher