



Early Years Newsletter
Spring Term

Dear Parents and Carers, Welcome back to the Spring Term. We have been busy planning for the coming weeks and adapting the environment to match the developing needs of the children. Our topic for the next half term is all about Minibeast. We will be exploring this topic through a range of fiction and non-fiction texts, some that your child will be familiar with such as "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and "What the Ladybird Heard" and others they may not have read before like the non-fiction text "Do You Love Bugs?" If you have any books or resources that you think will relate to this topic, we would love to share them with our class.

Technola will be working with our children on Wednesday mornings providing children with additional sessions in computing, exploring a range of technological equipment.

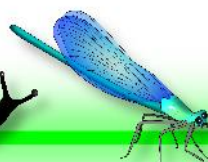
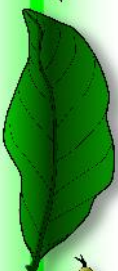
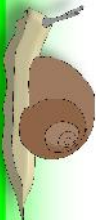
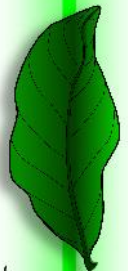
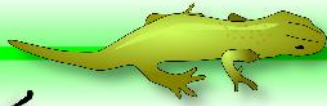
Ed Start, our sports coaches will continue to work with our children on Thursday mornings. This half term we will be taking part in 'Multi Skills' if full time and morning Nursery children can come into school wearing trainers on this day and they do not need to bring their school shoes and our Reception children will need a PE kit, including sports shoes, plain shorts and a plain t-shirt.

As always, we love hearing about your child's achievements out of school and enjoy celebrating achievements such as swimming certificates at our Friday well done assemblies.

If you wish to talk to a member of staff, we are available at the start and end of each day. If you need to discuss something in more detail we are happy to arrange to meet you, via appointment, at a convenient time.

Food/Drinks

- Nuts- Due to children with severe nut allergies we do not allow nuts in school.
- Water Bottles- please bring your child's water bottles with them everyday so they can access them as and when needed. We encourage all children throughout the day to drink their water and have their snack.



Change of Clothes Bag

- All children need a change of clothes bag that stays permanently on their peg. This must be a draw string bag. No back packs or large bags please as space is so limited.
- Contents for the bag should include: spare underwear, socks, tshirt and jogging pants or leggings and seasonal clothes such as hats, gloves and sun hats. Wellingtons can be worn on rainy or snowy days for outdoor play.

Labelling

Please could we ask you to ensure that all items of uniform including shoes, water bottles, lunch boxes and spare clothes bags are clearly labelled with your child's name. If you child is in Reception please ensure their PE kit is also clearly labelled.

Home Reading

Please ensure that song bags (Nursery) and reading books (Reception) are returned each week for them to be shared and changed. If you have had difficulty sharing these with your child please let a member of staff know, we fully understand that occasionally busy day to day life can get in the way.

Foundation Stage Fund

We would like to remind you about the Early Years Fund. The money enables us to buy ingredients to bake with, make fresh playdough each week including sensory and textured playdough; plant bulbs; purchase sensory items such as shaving foam, jelly and scented oils for our outdoor water. Please support your children again this half term by donating £5. Parents can pay the full £30 for the year if they prefer and this can be done through the school money system.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 21st February School re-opens
 Thursday 5th March World Book Day
 Monday 20th March Parents evening
 Wednesday 22nd March Parents evening
 Wednesday 29th March EY Trip to Blackpool Zoo
 Friday 31st March Term ends. School closes at 3.30pm

Many thanks as always for your continued support

The Early Years Team