

# Newsletter

## Spring 2018 – Nursery



Last term, the children were very busy creating fantastic art work for the festive season! Well done everyone!



I am really excited to get to get know all of the children in the class and I look forward to working with you, the parents, as a team, to ensure your children receive the best start possible. If you ever have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to come and see me. Thank you. Miss Welford.

This term, the children will be continuing with Letters and Sounds Phase 1 Phonics Activities. We will be focusing on body percussion, rhythm and rhyme and alliteration. Your child will also be practising to hold a pencil correctly in order to mark make. We will then move onto writing sounds in their name.

We will continue to practise counting to 10, matching quantities and then move on to number recognition. At home, please encourage your child to use number language (e.g. 'lots', 'more', 'less', and 'how many?'). We will also be learning some shape names as well as describing them. Then the children will be going on an egg trail outside; following clues, using positional language, and finding a giant egg!

We will be reading a range of dinosaur stories and will be painting large dinosaur pictures. The children will also be creating their own groovy dinosaur, thinking about how it will move and what it will eat. Towards the end of term, the children will be baking delicious dinosaur treats and writing invitations to one another for our 'Dinosaur Day'.

Our topic this half term is dinosaurs! We will be learning all about different types of dinosaurs, what happened to them, and even look at dinosaur bones! An exciting outdoor egg hunt will lead us to a huge egg, which we will look after until it hatches. When it hatches, a dinosaur will escape and take off on an adventure around the world!

### **Useful reminders**

Please look out for the letter called 'Project homework'. Please encourage your child to take part in the dinosaur themed homework and bring it into Nursery to share with the class before being displayed in the Nursery entrance

Please encourage your child to use the Nursery Library. Please fill in a reading record booklet and keep a log of the books your child has read. Please let us know when your child has read 24 books and they will receive a certificate!

Please make sure your child comes to nursery wearing appropriate clothing for working outside e.g. a warm waterproof coat, hat, mittens, sensible shoes etc.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Miss Welford and Mrs Thomas.

### **Important dates**

Break up for half term: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February  
Back to school: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February

PD Days:  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July