

A Learning Letter from Nursery

A very warm welcome to the summer term, which we hope will be full of sunshine, play and exploration! This learning letter gives an overview of our project for this term, but as the children are always fully involved in the planning of our projects, they continually evolve as they share their interest, ideas and curiosities.

Knowledge Organiser In a couple of weeks, once the children have settled back into life in the Nursery, you will receive a 'Knowledge Organiser'. This will provide you with some essential information about the learning opportunities that the children are embracing through their project and some ideas for you to become involved at home.

Project

All of the children and adults in the Nursery have a keen interest in the natural world, from sea creatures to dinosaurs and insects.

Our last discussion before the holiday led to some really interesting questions and fact finding about insects: 'Where do they live?' 'What do they do at night?' 'How can we stop them nibbling at the vegetables we have planted?'

We will build on these great questions this term and find the answers together. This will include a visit from Emily who works for the Devon Wildlife Trust and will kindly share her expert knowledge.

If your child has some questions or facts that they share with you at home, please write it down so that we can discuss it together during our group times.

The Studio and the Garden

Laura-Jane always has wonderful ideas to stimulate the children's creative thinking, providing a wide range of experiences to express their thoughts and ideas using different media. She will be exploring the work of Georgia 'O Keeffe and Anna Blatman who both use nature in their art and will encourage the children to experiment with their art both inside and outside.

The children will continue to have the opportunity to use the tools for their own designs and also to create houses for birds, bugs and bees.

How you can help

At home: Spend some time talking about the insects and wildlife that your child is interested in – you could help them to learn the names of some trees, flowers and birds.

Listen to: The birds – can you start to identify which bird it is by its song?

Visit: Look for signs of life in your environment – maybe take a photograph of something that is unusual or interesting and bring it in to the Nursery to share with your friends.

Developing the garden will be a big focus for us this term and the children will be fully involved. If you would like to help too – please speak to a member of the Nursery team.



'The future of humanity and indeed, all life on earth, now depends on us.'

David Attenborough

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