

What will my child be learning?

The topics for this half term is:

People who help us.

Encourage the children to talk about things they recognise and make links to their own experiences.

Explore any new vocabulary by repeating it slowly, thinking about the initial sound of the word or syllables.

During circle time, talk about all the ways that we can be kind and helpful. Share and praise some examples of helpful behaviour with the whole group.

Encourage the children to learn helpful social phrases, such as 'Do you need any help?' or 'Thank you for helping me!' and use them in their play.

Introduce different scenario and help children to identify which person can help.

Some of the activities we will be doing in Nursery are:

- Building a shape Picture : emergency Vehicles
- Using Positional Language "in" out "on".
- Learning about dental Hygiene

□ Introducing letters/sounds of the week:

The Sounds for spring term are

: **s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d**

Lifecycle,

The Children will learning about different lifecycles. They will experience a real life hatching experiences with the ducklings.

Zoo and Farm

The children will learning about the zoo and farm animals

Identifying the patterns of different animals, who and how the animals are looked after and taking about Habitats (where and how the animals live)



How you can help your child at home

- **Self-care:** We would like parents to encourage their children to be able to go to the toilet independently and remind them about good hygiene. Like washing their hands and using soap.

Coats/Jackets: Can we please ask parents to encourage their children when putting their coats on. Help them to become independent in doing this. Practice doing up their zips, buttons and putting on hats and gloves!

Book Bags and uniform

As we go into next term we would like to get the children used to wearing the correct uniform and bringing in bigger bags to fit their books into many of the bags are too small.

Please ensure that the children are in uniform at all time.

The uniform in nursery should be comfortable and the school colour (NO JEANS)

All accessories such as hair clips and shoes should be school colours only.

It is important that we set the boundaries now as children have to get used too many changes as they move up the school; uniform is an important part of the Academy.

If you have any questions please speak to Miss Simmonds



Nursery Attendance

We know that life with a pre-schooler can be unpredictable—between sniffles and sleepless nights, some mornings are harder than others. However, consistent attendance is one of the greatest gifts you can give your child's development.

Why Every Day Counts

Building Brain Power: 90% of brain development happens before age five.

Every day at preschool is packed with "pre-literacy" and "pre-math" moments that prepare them for primary school.

Friendships & Feelings: Routine helps children feel safe. When they attend daily, they find it easier to make friends, learn to share, and manage their emotions.

Setting the Stage: Attending preschool regularly builds a "success habit." Children who attend consistently now are much more likely to be strong readers by the 3rd Grade (Year 4).

Staying Up to Date: New Requirements

As of 2025/2026, there are updated legal and safeguarding guidelines that we follow to keep your children safe:

Safeguarding Checks: Under the latest EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) rules, we are required to follow up on unexplained absences immediately. Please always call or message us if your child will be staying home.

Emergency Contacts: We must now hold at least two emergency contacts for every child. If your details have changed, please update them with the office today.

Consistent Records: New national registers ensure that every child is accounted for and receiving the support, they deserve.

Top Tip: The "Routine" Cure

If your little one is struggling with "drop-off jitters," the best remedy is consistency. Skipping days can actually make separation anxiety last longer. A steady routine helps them learn that you always come back, and that school is a fun, safe place to be!

Thank you for partnering with us to give your child the best start!

Important Dates

Nutrition Awareness Workshop Tuesday 27th January.

You are invited to our Nursery workshop on Nutrition. A balance plate is not just about Physical growth: it is the fuel for focus, Memory and emotional regulation

Duckling Experience:

We will watch as the duck hatch and grow in front of our eyes



It is lovely to see so many of you enjoying and getting involved with your child's on the on line-learning journey!

If you are having problems logging in or need help with anything regarding Tapestry, let us know and Miss Simmonds can look into any issues for you.

REMINDERS

Please ensure that your child is bringing in their water bottles. (Water only).

We regularly put letters in your child bags. Please ensure that you are looking in your child bag for important letters.

Please ensure that you have downloaded the school app for any other correspondence. Go to Google play or Apple store and downloaded "Piota"