

Nursery Newsletter 22.09.23

Our Week

We have continued to have an amazing time settling into Nursery. We are now getting familiar with our learning environments and enjoying engaging in new activities. We also loved our first music session with Duncan - we practised counting our claps, stomps and pats. It has been a great week in Nursery.



Things to remember

Dates for your diary

- **Thursday 12th October 2023:** Early Years Celebration Day 9:15am - 10:15am
- **Tuesday 17th October 2023:** Parents Evening
- **Wednesday 18th October 2023:** Parents Evening
- **Friday 20th October 2023:** Last day of half-term

Our Family Tree

As a part of this half term's Topic of 'All about me', next week we are going to be talking about our families and celebrating our similarities and differences. We kindly ask that you email a photo of your child with their immediate family to the school office in preparation for our carpet sessions next week so that your child can have the opportunity to discuss and show their photo to their peers. We will then use these photos for a classroom family tree display so that your child can see a photo of their loved ones whilst in Nursery.

Reading Expectations

This week your child will have been sent home with a high-quality text from our book corners as well as a Reading Record Diary. We want to instil a love of reading for pleasure from an early age and would highly recommend reading to your child each day. Reading is an essential part of your child's development. It introduces children to words they wouldn't usually hear in everyday conversations, helps build their vocabulary and supports their listening and attention skills.

You can record each time you read with your child in their Reading Record by signing in the box. Please record each time you read with your child as they will earn stamps and stickers which is a fantastic incentive for them to read each day.

Each Thursday, please return the Reading Record as well as the books belonging to school. Your child will then get an opportunity to discuss their book with their teacher who will stamp their Reading Record and award stickers. Your child will then select a new book and will discuss and read some of it with their teacher before being sent home.

Please note, if a child loses or damages a school reading book, a letter will be sent home to parents requesting £5 to replace the book.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a free book scheme which launched in 1995. Southwark Council has joined forces with local company DialAFlight and the Dollywood Foundation to bring the scheme to our borough. Your child will receive a book in the post every month until their fifth birthday, absolutely free.

Only children with a current Southwark address can register and we highly recommend taking advantage of this brilliant resource.

You can register on the link below:

<https://imaginationlibrary.com/check-availability/>

Spare Clothes and label belongings

Please make sure that your child always has a spare change of clothes at school for toileting accidents and water play. If your child borrows clothes from school, please return the clothes washed and dried. Please can you label or write names in all your child's belongings that they may bring into school including their water bottle.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle with them each day. This should only contain water, no fruit juices or squash please! These can be left at school as we shall refill them each morning and afternoon for your child and then they shall be sent home each Friday.

Toileting

If your child please requires support with toileting, please continue to practise this at home and remind them of the importance of thorough hand washing.

Many thanks,
The Nursery Team

Ladybird - Olivia Howard & Nekay Lewin

Butterfly - Anastasia Owusu, Jodie Speer & Jeanette Gayle
Jaci Doherty working throughout both classrooms

