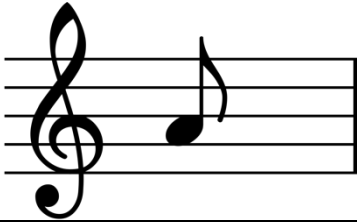


# Nursery Newsletter 07.01.22



## Song of the week

This week we have been singing the song 'If you're happy and you know it,' to celebrate feeling happy about being back at school!  
Which songs make you happy?

## Our Week

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We have had a lovely first week back at school. As we have lots of new children joining Nursery this week, we have spent our time making new friends, playing games together and reminding ourselves of how to be kind and gentle with one another. Ms Owusu has been unable to be in school this week to meet the children in Butterfly class. She will return on Monday and is very excited to meet everybody!

## Maths



In maths this week we have been reminding ourselves how to count to 5 with 1:1 correspondence.

Can you find five objects to count at home? Don't forget to line them up and touch them as you count them!

## Sound of the Week

As we have new children starting Nursery, the first couple of weeks will be spent recapping the sounds covered so far.

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Please continue to sing the Jolly Phonics songs at home for these sounds.

Can you spot anything on your way to school that begin with these sounds?

## Label belongings



Please can you label or write names in all your child's belongings that they may bring into school including their water bottle.

Many thanks,

The Nursery Team



Ladybird - Emma Rose, Janette Gayle and Usha Goomany

Butterfly - Anastasia Owusu, Gina Collingridge

Jaci Doherty working throughout both classrooms



# Things to remember...

## Parent Workshops

Over the Christmas Holidays, Ms Rose and Ms Mucci have been busy creating some parent workshops which have been uploaded to Google Classroom. These cover the topics of Phonics and Fine Motor Skills within the Early Years setting. Ms Mucci has aimed to give you a brief overview of Phase 1 Phonics as well as some ideas of activities to try at home with your child. Ms Rose has explored the importance of building fine motor skills to prepare your child for writing, showing some of the activities we do at school and suggestions of things that you could try at home with your child. Please go onto Google Classroom to have a look. Let us know if you have any questions or would like any additional support in these areas.

## Reminder for parents/carers of children starting Reception 2022

If your child will be starting Reception at Bessemer in September 2022, please remember to apply for a Reception place to Southwark admissions **before 15<sup>th</sup> January**. Please see this link

[www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions)



## Wellies and coats

As the weather gets wetter and colder, please provide your children with a named, thick, winter coat and suitable footwear. We go to the Nature Garden three times a week and it is important that children are suitably dressed. Children have the opportunity to explore and experiment with water whilst at school. We try our best to keep your child dry by encouraging the use of aprons and rolling up of sleeves but if you know your child particularly enjoys water play, please could you provide them with a waterproof jacket / suit. If you do not have one, we are happy to provide one for you. Please also encourage your child to practise putting on their wellies and coats independently.

## 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!

## Spare Clothes

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. If you have any socks that your child no longer needs, we would really appreciate any donations for our spare clothes box!

## 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.

## Tapestry

We have uploaded a video onto Google Classroom this week which will give you an introduction to Tapestry and show you how to upload your own observations of your child. The observations can be accounts of any exciting activities you have been doing at home which may support their learning at school.