

Important Events

Balanced Argument Week-WB 16th January
Reading is Fun Workshop-Thursday 26th January NAM 9.00 am-10.30am, NPM 12.30-2.00 PM
Debate Week- WB 30th January
World Book Day (Roald Dahl)-3rd March
Maths Week-WB 6th March
Red Nose Day- 17th March
Art& DT Week- WB 27th March
Mini-beast Sculpture Workshop-28th March

Homework

To encourage parents and pupils to enjoy learning outside of school, a home activity will be set every Friday. We would like to encourage pupils to share their learning with the rest of the class by bringing in the home activity the following Friday.



PE and Home Reading

Artis and Gym Tots are on **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

No PE kit required.

We will be practising putting on shoes and taking them off with pupils.

Parent Reading is on **Friday** Mornings from **8.45 am to 9:00am & 12.15-12.30pm**.

Children will receive two reading book which will be changed once a week.

Please make sure you **read with your child daily** and **comment in their reading is fun book**.



Friendship Friday

On the last Friday of every month we celebrate friendship as a whole school. On this day we ask for the children to wear denim jeans. Each child will have a friendship Friday T-Shirt kept in school to wear as part of the celebration.

Nursery Spring 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had a restful holiday and are ready to start our next topic, 'Minibeasts'. Please remember to read with your child daily, write a comment and sign the Reading is Fun Book. Please continue to use the weekly Parent Planning & Autumn Term Targets to help you support your child's learning at home.

We want to thank all parents who have sent pictures of their children and completed the home activities last term! Please continue sending in pictures from home and the 'Magic Award' to celebrate their success too! Information about what your child will learn this half term is on the inside of this booklet.

Kind Regards
Ms Nguyen and Mrs Gamar

Nursery Staff 2016/17

Assistant Head of Early Years: Ms Nguyen

EYFS Phase Leader: Mrs Gamar

Nursery Class Teacher: Ms Nguyen (am) & Mrs Gamar (pm)

Teaching Assistants and Additional Adults: Miss Khazi, Mrs Cheal, Miss Hardwick, Miss Sultana & Mr Mamoud

School Uniform

Children must wear navy blue skirt or trousers with a white shirt and blue jumper or cardigan. Black school shoes should be worn (**laces can be worn if your child can tie them.**) If you send your child to school wearing wellies in bad weather please make sure they have a change of shoes to wear inside as well. Keir Hardie uniform is available to buy at the school office.

Please make sure all clothing and belongings have your child's name written on them clearly so that they can be returned easily.

Jewellery – please make sure that children do not wear jewellery at school. Only small stud earrings are permitted.

Making Relationships: Children will demonstrate friendly behaviour, initiating conversations and forming good relationships with peers & familiar adults.

Self Confidence and Self Awareness: Children will talk to other children when playing & will communicate freely about own home & community.

Managing Feelings and Behaviour: Children will help or give comfort when others are distressed.

We will be learning to:

- use complex sentences to link thoughts and ideas.
- Listen to stories with increasing attention and recall.
- understand 'why' and 'how' questions.
- question why things happen & gives explanations.

Reading and Writing

We will be working on the following key skills in our English and Phonics lessons, as well as in focus groups.

- To enjoy rhyming and rhythmic activities.
- To ascribe meaning to marks I see in different places and when I write.
- To recognise familiar words & signs such as own name/advertising labels.
- To handle books carefully.
- To begin to know how the story is structured.

Your child will be given the opportunity to:

- Explore with colours and textures.
- explore how sounds can be changed.
- use movement to express feelings.
- using musical instruments to make up rhythms.
- Use movement to express feelings.
- use various construction materials.

Your child will be learning to:

- observes the effects of activity on their bodies.
- Draw lines and circles using gross motor movements.
- walk downstairs while carrying an object.
- Wash and dry hands independently.
- stand momentarily on one foot. .

Expressive Arts and Design

Personal Social and Emotional Development

Communication and Language

Spring 1 Term Minibeasts

Literacy

Physical Development

Mathematics

Understanding of the World

The two key areas we will be exploring in maths this year are **Number** and **Shape, Space and Measure**.

- To represent numbers using fingers/marks.
- To use some number names accurately in play.
- To recite numbers in order to ten.
- To separate objects in different ways.
- To show an interest in shape in space by playing with shapes or making arrangements with objects.
- To match a numeral to a quantity.
- To begin to make comparison between quantities.

Your child will begin to explore their understanding through three different strands this term.

People and Communities: Talk about significant events in their lives.

The World: They will develop understanding of growth and decay over time.

Technology: They know how to operate and use a remote control.