



NICHOLAS HAWKSMOOR
PRIMARY SCHOOL

An Academy of Academic, Artistic, Athletic and Excellence

Summer Term

Nursery Newsletter

What can be done at home to help my child?

- Encourage your child to become independent when getting dressed for Nursery
- Encourage writing and mark making, using a correct pencil grip.
- Continue to write for a purpose e.g. writing own name and shopping lists.
- Beginning to write the initial sounds in words.
- Spot letters, numbers and shapes in the environment.
- Count together and order numbers.

Dear Parents

We hope you have had a lovely Easter and a restful break! May we take this opportunity to thank you for your contributions to parent meetings. We found these very informative and are happy that we could agree on levels of development and next steps for your child. If you notice any significant progress towards your child's targets please remember to add this to Tapestry.

It's hard to believe that we only have Summer Term left in Nursery! Time flies when you're having fun.....

Subject Overviews

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Over the summer term we will be ensuring the children have lots of opportunities to go and explore Reception allowing the children to become more confident within a classroom setting. The Reception Teachers will also be regularly coming down to Nursery to familiarise themselves with your child.

We will also be continuing to encourage the children to become more independent and take charge of their personal organisation. Please encourage your child to place their belongings on their pegs by themselves and be responsible for placing their apples on the tree and putting book bags in the box.

Communication and Language

The children will be encouraged to extend their thinking through how and why questions and will be asked to reason their responses by adding greater detail.

We will be continuing 'show and tell' every Friday. It has been wonderful to see the children so engaged and excited about showing their friends an object or picture of great significance. It also provides a fantastic opportunity for the children to become more confident in speaking in small groups.

Physical development

We will be encouraging the children to refine their writing skills and trying to ensure they can write their name in preparation for Reception. We are hoping that the heat will continue to increase, please could you ensure that your child has a sunhat and suncream is applied when necessary. If the children would like to bring a drinks bottle into school, this can be kept in the cloak room and accessed throughout the session. We will also be encouraging the children to pour themselves a drink from the "drinks bar" which will be on offer throughout the session.

Events

3rd May— Class Photographs

24h May— Stay and play session (Parents Welcome)

25th May— Mufti Day

15th June — School Summer Fair .

Half Term

18th June — New Parents to Reception Meeting 6-7pm

28h June — Farm animals Visit (to school) Details to follow.

5th July — Foundation Stage Sports Day at 10 am (afternoon children to join)

12th July — Pirate Day (Fancy dress welcome)

20th July — School closes for summer holidays.

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Literacy

The children will continue to have phonics inputs throughout each session in a fun and playful way, this will include singing the 'Jolly phonics' songs on a daily basis. We have been very impressed with the way in which the children have started to learn the letter sounds. It would give the children a flying start to reception if they knew all the sounds in the alphabet.

Maths

The children will be continuing to learn and practice basic number skills; counting, ordering recognising and representing numerals to 10 and beyond. The children will be focusing on the properties of 2d shapes and we will also be encouraging the children to experience 3d shapes during play.

We will be continuing to compare groups of numbers, discussing which has more or less, ordering these from smallest to biggest.

Understanding the World

We are very excited about our visit from 'Home, Grown and Raised'. This will involve the children looking at, discussing and experiencing a range of farm animals within the nursery garden. They may even have the opportunity to stroke them. This will support our work on living things and animals, in which the children will be thinking about ways to care for them and the environment. Further information on this will follow.

Expressive Art and Design

The children will continue to have the opportunities to create individual and collaborative art work and use their imagination to change our role play area on a weekly basis. They will also be encouraged to work with other children to develop narratives and even be given the opportunity to perform to the class!

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