

March / April News



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Three Little Pigs



We hope you can join us on the 29th March at 9.15 for our performance of the three little pigs. All children are invited to take part even if it is not their usual session. Please let George know if you are staying to watch the performance, this will help us to prepare seating arrangements.

We have spent this half term helping to create props and scenery to enhance our performance. We have incorporated many areas of learning into this topic area such as mark making with paint, maths sizing houses, talking about weaknesses in structures and even some of the children were fascinated to watch the glue drip!! It has also been really great to see the children use their learning to independently re-create and re-enact the story with their friends.

The staff have also really enjoyed working alongside the children for this topic. We hope you can join us as you are in for a treat!



Key Dates

29th March Three Little Pigs.

Friday 31st March last day term.

1st April Peter Rabbit Treasure Hunt.

20th April start.

Summer term

1st May Bank Holiday.

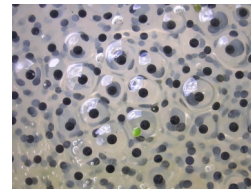
29th—2nd June Half term.

If you have a recognised celebration/festival that you would like us to acknowledge, please let a member of the team know.

Other Learning....

We are continuing to explore rhyme through our daily practice, the children are becoming more confident in identifying rhyming words (these don't need to make sense).

Our spring topic has brought amazing activities and learning, the children have explored flowers and colour through painting and weaving. Most children have planted a seed to take home, all children will bring a seed home by the end of term. The



children have started to look at the life cycles of frogs, we collected pond water to keep our frog spawn, which was provided by one of our families. We are using books and iPad to reference and find out information to help us understand the sequencing of life cycles.

The children have spent a long time observing the changes in our front and back gardens. We have talked about respecting our learning environments and would like to thank you for your support with this whilst waiting to come in at the beginning and end of sessions.

Home Learning

As we continue to look at rhythm and rhyme it would be useful if you were able to point out rhyme within every day speech, e.g. are you taking TED to BED. Hearing stories and nursery rhymes is also essential to building these blocks.

It would be great if you could discuss and monitor the growth of your seed (if it survives!!). We would love to see a picture of how the seed has developed. Printed or emailed.

February / March lets talk more strategy:-

- Get your child's attention before you talk to them:- Help them to focus on you talking, by making sure you have their full attention before you talk to them. Say their name or touch their cheek/arm and wait for them to look at you. Little children can't tune in to what you say if they are doing something else.

Peter Rabbit Treasure Hunt

We hope you can join us on Saturday 1st April 1.30-3.30 for our Easter Fundraiser. £2 will include the treasure hunt plus 2 other activities. We will be holding a flower and chocolate raffle any donations would be gratefully received.



Refreshments and cakes, again any donations would be appreciated. We are also short of helpers on the day so if anyone would like to man a stall please let George know. All proceeds will be spent on resources for the children to enjoy.

Sainsbury's

We are continuing to collect Active Kids Sainsbury's vouchers. Thank you for the vouchers already received closing date is the 30th June. Please share with family and friends.



Polite reminders

Lunch times – We promote healthy eating within our setting, to support this please ensure your child has a piece of fruit or veg in their lunch box. It is also really important to provide a drink for your child.

Please ensure your child has a change of clothing in their bag, this is especially important as the weather gets warmer and we embark in more water play activities.

Please do not park on or obstruct the preschool drive at anytime.

If your child is in nappies please supply both nappies and wipes in their bag.

Best Wishes the preschool team.