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# Nursery Newsletter– Summer 1

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope you and your child had a restful Easter break and are excited to dive into the wonderful learning that we have in store this term.

## Our Topic this term ....

This half term the children in Nursery will be diving in to the topic 'Under the Sea'.

We will be reading the books Tiddler, Sharing a Shell, The Rainbow Fish, and Barry the Fish with Fingers. Some of which you may be familiar with already.

The children will be learning about the sea environment and what creatures live there. They will be familiar with different forms of sea life and producing some lovely creations during their craft sessions.

They will be using different media and materials to create their 3 d models, thank you for those of you who have been donating materials for these activities.

We hope to be having new additions to Nursery, our very own fish and the children will learn how to take care of them and have fun choosing their names.



## Phonics...

The children will continue their learning with phase 1 sounds this term and developing their speaking, listening and attention skills. We will focus on voice sounds and tuning into sounds in our environment. We will be distinguishing between the differences in vocal sounds including oral blending and segmenting.



## Key dates

- **Monday 17th April Primary school places confirmed for September 2023.**
- **Bank holiday dates 1st May, and 8th May**
- **Nursery Pirate week 22nd May**

*Half term  
29th May – 2nd June  
June  
Back to school Monday 5th June*

## How can you help at home?

Some of the children have been learning to form the letters of their name in fun and exciting ways.

This involves holding their pencils in the correct grip.

Please promote and support this at home by encouraging them to write in different medias.

At home you could help them to write with sticks in mud, water and brushes on walls bubbles in the bath, Flour and lap trays in the kitchen. As well as pencils on scrap paper and envelopes.

The children have been finding shapes in the environment, cubes, cylinders and pyramids, maybe they can spot these at home too.



## As mathematicians we will

Continuing to count and relate numbers up to 5. Identifying the symbols and counting objects in play. The children will learn to experiment with their own symbols to represent numbers.

We have a fish and chip shop in our role play area and are able to use maths and counting to count the items on the plates and in the frying pans



We have been shape hunting and the children will be familiar with the 3D shapes, cylinder and pyramids.

## Don't forget :

Please continue to read with your children, they have enjoyed choosing their books to take home weekly.



Staff are happy to talk to parents regarding their children. Please wait for us to see all the children in first, then we will be able to talk to you in private.

We will continue to take the children to outdoor learning, please ensure they have named waterproof clothing for this. Sessions are Monday afternoons and Wednesday mornings.