# Nursery Newsletter – Summer 1



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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 and models in the creative area..

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

## 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**

Bank holiday 5th May

Half term 26th May - 30th May

Back to school Monday 2nd June

Date for your diary Friday 27th June Nursery sports afternoon —time to be confirmed

# 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.

The children will be introduced to 3D shapes cube, sphere, cuboids, cylinders and cones. We will go on shape hunts around the classroom and some areas of the school to find these shapes and see them in everyday use...

We will also be sorting objects according to properties to shape and size.

## Don't forget:

Please continue to read with your children, they have enjoyed choosing their books to take home weekly. Please return the book bags on Thursday each week.

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

If you are able to spare some time to read with the children please let a member of the Nursery team know. Tuesday afternoons 2.30-3.00 or Thursday mornings 9.30—10.00

Please take a look at the Nursery notice board for weekly learning and notices.

### 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.

Please continue to encourage your child with their independence by putting on their shoes, coats and clothing and attempting with fastenings. Thank you.



