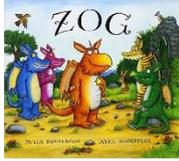




# TOWN CLOSE SCHOOL

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## Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017



Dear Parents

We have had a lovely week in Nursery. Our key text has been 'Zog' by Julia Donaldson and our new phonic sound has been 'z' for zig, zag, zip and zebra. We have talked about African animals, zebras and the words zip, zig, zag and Zog.

- On Monday, we enjoyed our dance session with Mrs Wilson. We read our new key text 'Zog' and talked about Alvar's fantastic book 'The Magnificent Book of Animals'. We talked about the different animals and the phonic sound that the animals begin with. Some of the children went to listen to a couple of songs from 'Cats' in the Read Hall (a musical show performed by the Year 7 and 8 pupils). Some of the children went for a walk and looked around the Reception and Year 1 classrooms.
- On Tuesday, we all shared some of our weekend news with a grown up. We had lots of fun travelling in different ways in the sports hall. We had a 'number' focus and lots of number games and activities in the afternoon.
- On Wednesday, we really enjoyed our music session in the music room. The children enjoyed using the big African drums to create their own rhythms. Some of the children created 'Z' zebras, cutting out their stripes and practising writing z.
- On Thursday, we all went swimming in small groups. We continued to create our own spring bird boxes and would be very grateful for any 'Innocent Smoothie' boxes for this purpose. We spent a long time outside playing on the bikes and trikes and various toys on the large rugs. We also enjoyed playing in the Nursery garden and the Pre Prep sandpits, as it was such a beautiful day.
- On Friday, we enjoyed lots of different activities. We visited the pond and really enjoyed seeing lots of frogspawn and frogs and many of the children participated in our weekly Yoga activity in the Pre Prep hall. Also many of the children painted different pictures with Mrs Bloom and spent the afternoon in the outside classroom.

You may wish to try these activities at home linked to our learning this week:

- Have a look at different shapes and ask your child to practise copying them carefully (circles, zig zags, spirals, crosses, straight lines, curvy lines etc.) Also many of the children are really enjoying writing their names and numerals.

- Have a look at the attached poster about our Easter bonnet competition. If you feel like getting creative either before or during the Easter holidays, then do bring in your creations on the first day back after the holidays.

Next term the children are very welcome to wear either the school summer dress (girls) and short white socks or grey shorts (boys) and short grey socks. Girls are also welcome to wear navy shorts with their blue polo tops, which is very practical when climbing outside. It is really helpful if girls have jogging bottoms available for visits to the sports hall.

We hope you have a lovely weekend with your children.

With very best wishes from Mrs Harries, Mrs Hampsheir and the Little Acorns Teaching Assistants.

*Melanie Harries*

**A message from Kate Evans, PTA Chair:**

We have been receiving a lot of questions about the May Ball being held on Saturday 20th May 2017. It's going to be a fantastic night and not to be missed.

The tables seat 10 although special requests to seat 12 can be accommodated. You do not need to make up a whole table to make a booking. You can book individually and we can place you with other Pre Prep parents.

On the booking form there is a section to fill out whether you have organised a table, with a space for the names, or whether you would like to be seated with others from the same year group.

Visit [www.townclosepta.co.uk/store](http://www.townclosepta.co.uk/store) to book your tickets. We only have a few tables left, then the marquee is at full capacity!