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Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 27th March 2017



Dear Parents

This week we have been reading lots of stories about eggs and chicks, linked to Easter. We have revisited all the phonic sounds using songs and flashcards. We have linked the story by talking about moving to a new house or place. We have continued to speak about Nursery moving after the Easter holiday and the children have been helping Mrs Bloom to create pictures of their choice to display in the Pre Prep hall.

- On Monday we enjoyed our dance session with Mrs Wilson. We read 'Handa's Hen' and talked about counting '1 more' each time we turned a page and continued to decorate our Easter bird boxes. The children were very excited about the possibility of their chick laying some 'magic eggs'. We learnt a song about washing our hands carefully and talked about washing away the 'germs' after we have been to the toilet and before we eat our snack or lunch.
- On Tuesday we all shared some of our weekend news with a grown up and we had lots of fun travelling in different ways in the Sports Hall. We had a very busy day decorating Easter gingerbread and practising careful counting and very careful Easter colouring in. The children helped to pack some of the Nursery toys, move the bikes and trikes to a new shed and put some of the garden toys away for the holiday.
- On Wednesday many of the children participated in our weekly yoga activity in the Pre Prep hall before morning snack and then had a busy morning cutting, sticking and creating their own Easter pictures. Many of the children painted pictures with Mrs Bloom and really enjoyed singing some egg counting songs and using the shaky eggs again in music. We then counted Easter eggs and chicks carefully and practised writing numerals to 10.
- On Thursday we all went swimming in small groups. We went for a 'number walk' in the afternoon and identified lots of different numerals around the school. The children listened carefully during 'circle time' about kind hands, sharing and being kind and helpful to others. We had 'hot cross' buns as a treat and a little tea party in the afternoon to say goodbye to Noor, who is relocating to London.

We would love to see any pictures or photographs of your child's Easter holiday in their 'Home Learning' books when they return to school next term.

Please note:

- After the holiday there will be *no pedestrian access via the Pre Prep staff drive entrance* due to the building works. If you are collecting your child at lunchtime, as many parents already do, please come into the Department via the pedestrian entrance on Ipswich Road and press the buzzer to be let in. Thank you.
- There will be no access to the bike parking area in the Pre Prep after the Easter holidays, due to the building works. Please use the bicycle parking area on the Prep side, near the adventure playground behind the Dearnaley building. Thank you.

Dates for your diary:

Nursery key person meetings from 2.30pm – 3.30pm with Mrs Hampsheir:

Wednesday 3rd May: Mrs Coman

Thursday 4th May: Mrs Bailey

Monday 8th May: Mrs Averill

Tuesday 9th May: Mrs Amies

Thursday 22nd June at 2.15pm: Nursery sports afternoon on the Prep Department front lawn

Wednesday 28th June: Royal Norfolk Show – School closed

Tuesday 4th July: Moving up morning

Wednesday 5th July: Nursery trip to Norwich Playhouse to see the morning performance of 'Room on the Broom'

We hope you have a wonderful Easter holiday with your children and look forward to seeing you in the Pre Prep Hall Nursery in April.

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

Melanie Amies