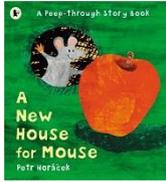




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Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 17th April 2017



Dear Parents

This week it was lovely to welcome all the children back to school and help them to settle into our lovely new Nursery classroom, which they have settled very quickly into. We have revisited all the phonic sounds using songs and flashcards. Lots of the children recognise many of the initial alphabet sounds now, and are very good at generating strings of CVC rhyming words. Our key text this week has been 'A New House for Mouse' by Petr Horacek. We have linked this story to talking about moving to a new house and talking about holes.

- On Tuesday, we all shared some of our holiday news with a grown up. We had lots of fun travelling in different ways and playing circle games in the sports hall. We had a very busy day watching the builders outside Nursery. Mr Hunter kindly spent some time with the children and has given us lots of hard hats, high visibility jackets and signs to play with.
- On Wednesday, the children had a busy morning working and playing outside in the garden and the Pre Prep playground. Lots of the children painted pictures with Mrs Bloom. The children really enjoyed singing some new number songs and practised recognising numerals to 10. Half of the children went to music with Miss Skinner in the music room.
- On Thursday, we all went for a walk through the woods. We were looking for 'holes' linked to our key text. We had a busy time choosing different activities in Nursery. Half of the children went to music with Miss Skinner in the music room. We talked about our new special rules again, linked to being in our new Nursery.
- On Friday, we enjoyed cutting out different sized circles, practising writing our names and numerals to 10. We read lots of story books and visited the Prep library. Mrs Wootten read us a story. An enormous concrete lorry came to the building site and we watched as the concrete was poured into the ground from a huge crane.

We would be very grateful if the girls who are wearing school summer dresses or pinafores could also have a spare pair of jogging bottoms in their bags. When we are outside some of the girls have scraped and bumped their legs whilst playing.

As the weather improves, please could all the children have an 8-hour sun protection cream applied before school and could they all have their sun hats in their bags.

Please could parents refrain from entering the toilet area with their children, but rather wait outside in the corridor. This is for safeguarding reasons. Thank you.

If you are bringing a snack for your child to eat after school, can we ask that you refrain from bringing it into school and wait until your children are off site or in the car to consume it. Thank you.

Dates for your diary:

Key Person and Mrs Hampsheir Meetings – 2.00pm - 3.30pm:

- Wednesday 3rd May: Mrs Coman
- Thursday 4th May: Mrs Bailey
- Monday 8th May: Mrs Averill
- Tuesday 9th May: Mrs Amies

Parents will be able to book an appointment slot using the 'parents' booking system' from **4.00pm next Monday 24th April**. This can be accessed by clicking on the link 'view our parent information centre' on the main school website at www.townclose.com If you have any problems, please contact Mr Shone in our IT department directly on 01603-599031 or email cshone@townclose.com **Bookings will close at 12.30pm on the day of the meetings.**

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 lovely weekend with your children.

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

Melanie Amies