



## Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 24th September 2018

Dear Parents

It has been a busy week again in Nursery. The children have begun to develop new friendships and this has been lovely to observe. This week we have been talking about different sorts of vegetables, linked to autumnal changes outside. We have read our second traditional story this half term, *The Enormous Turnip*. We have looked at a range of different 2D shapes but have focused on triangles, linked to our focus on the number 3.

- On Monday, the children had their dance session with Mrs Wilson. At this stage in the academic year we focus primarily on the children's well-being and level of engagement, so we are allowing them to choose to go to dance at present. If they are engrossed in an alternative activity, then that is fine. Some children are choosing not to attend dance or music just yet, but this is to be expected in a new environment with new adults. We will gradually encourage all the children to participate in new activities. We read *The Enormous Turnip* and practised counting a range of different vegetables carefully. We watched Number Time and focused on the number 3, 13 and 30 as appropriate.
- On Tuesday, we had lots of fun exploring outside in the Nursery garden and the Pre Prep playground. The children explored vegetables frozen in ice in the texture tray and we made and ate vegetable soup. Almost all of the children went swimming for the first time.
- On Wednesday, lots of the children painted acorns with Mrs Bloom. The children had triangle toast in the morning and made leaf soup outside in the mud kitchen. In the afternoon, we went to the music room and used the tapping sticks and shaky eggs to sing lots of different action songs with Miss Skinner. We really enjoyed playing on the Pre Prep playground with footballs. The children watched Number Time about Number 3.
- On Thursday, we read our special story again, *The Enormous Turnip*. We watched Come Outside and talked about carrots linked to the programme. We have changed the day that we go to the sports hall to a Thursday to include more children in the fun. We had a great time chasing hoops, throwing and rolling balls. In the afternoon, we went for a lovely long walk through the woods.
- On Friday, Mrs Bloom was very busy at the painting table and the children enjoyed playing memory, domino and simple dice games with a grown up in small groups. The children have all been to the music room this week with Miss

Skinner either on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. We made jam tarts as promised and had a lovely time in the afternoon playing outside.

**This weekend you may like to do one or more of the following:**

- Look at and talk about lots of different vegetables that you have at home or can spot at the supermarket.
- Practise careful counting using potatoes or carrots perhaps.
- Find triangles and have a go at cutting out a big triangle carefully.
- Collect a couple of recyclable objects and bring them into Nursery to show. We have talked about recycling this week in Nursery and continued to talk about different materials.

Next Friday a Planetarium will be visiting Pre Prep. The Nursery children will be involved, and are going to have a picnic lunch as a special treat.

**Reminders**

Please could we remind you that jewellery, temporary tattoos and nail varnish should not be worn at school.

Please could we also request that no food is brought into school by the children.

Thank you

**Dates for your diary:**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm:** 'Green Group' Key person meeting with Miss Bruce and Mrs Hampsheir

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – 4.00pm - 5.00pm:** Norfolk Children's Book Centre book sale in the library

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm:** 'Yellow Group' Key person meeting with Mrs Coman and Mrs Hampsheir

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm:** 'Red Group' Key person meeting with Mrs Martin and Mrs Hampsheir

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm:** 'Blue Group' Key person meeting with Mrs Amies and Mrs Hampsheir

Please book your Key person meeting via the online booking system:

**Online booking system:** Go to the Town Close website and visit the Parents' Information Centre on the left. Click on the parents' booking system. This will prompt you to enter your email address and password. If you have not used the system before the password is: **townclose**. If you have used the system for after school care, please use the password you have chosen. When you have logged in click the parents' evening button at the top of the screen.

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November – 8.00am - 9.00 am:** Coffee morning for Nursery Parents

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December – 9.00am - 9.45am:** Nursery Nativity in the Pre Prep 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