



TOWN CLOSE SCHOOL

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Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 1st October 2018

Dear Parents

This week in Nursery we have been talking about 'being helpful', linked to our special story *The Very Helpful Hedgehog*. We have talked about the number 4, squares and rectangles. We will begin to assess the children's knowledge of phonic sounds next week and to start to introduce the letter sounds.

- On Monday, the children all had dance with Mrs Wilson. We read *The Very Helpful Hedgehog* and cut an apple into 4 pieces or quarters. Some of the children created leaf print pictures. We went for a walk through the woods, and noticed how many leaves are on the ground now. We found the cottage that Goldilocks lived in a long time ago and the cottage that the three bears used to live in on either side of our school woods.
- On Tuesday, the children joined in to sing our special number 4 song and all went swimming. Lots of the children created salt dough hedgehogs. We had a lovely time playing outside in the garden and on the Pre Prep playground in the wind. We watched the old television adverts whereby the little hedgehog learns how to cross the road safely, and talked about remembering to 'Stop, Look and Listen'.
- On Wednesday, the children listened carefully to instructions to play some new circle games. In the afternoon, we went to the music room and used different percussion instruments to sing songs with Miss Skinner. Lots of the children painted with Mrs Bloom. Some of the children played a simple shape game with a grown up, and made marks. Some children were able to recognise some of the letters in their name.
- On Thursday, we read our special story again and talked about being helpful. We watched *Come Outside*, which was all about hedgehogs, and talked about 'h' for hedgehog. Some of the children went to music with Miss Skinner and the children really enjoyed making their own leaf crowns.
- On Friday, we had a space themed morning after our exciting visit to the Planetarium. We talked about how to look after our planet and loved having a picnic lunch in Nursery. We read *The Very Helpful Hedgehog* and had a lovely time in the afternoon printing pictures using apples.

This weekend you may like to:

Look for and talk about the number 4; we talked about the number 4 this week at Nursery and have linked this to learning about squares and rectangles having 4 straight sides and 4 corners. You may wish to practise drawing straight lines, curved lines, zig-zags and even some 2D shapes this weekend.

Reminders for Parents:

We have no school spare clothes left at all in Nursery. We would be so grateful if you could please ensure that your child has at least a couple of sets of spares in their school rucksack (more if your child is prone to having toileting accidents). We would also be very grateful if you could return any school spare clothes. Thank you.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 15th October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm: 'Green Group' key person meeting with Miss Bruce and Mrs Hampsheir

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

Wednesday 17th October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm: 'Yellow Group' key person meeting with Mrs Coman and Mrs Hampsheir

Thursday 18th October – 1.30pm - 3.00pm: 'Red Group' key person meeting with Mrs Martin and Mrs Hampsheir

Friday 19th 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 6th November – 8.00am - 9.00 am: Coffee morning for Nursery parents

Wednesday 5th 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 Amies