



## Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019

Dear Parents

This week in Nursery we have read *Let's Go Home Little Bear* by Martin Waddell. We have linked this story to talking about winter and the different sounds that we can hear when we are in the woods at school. We have talked about carefully counting small groups of objects and then 'adding', asking the children if they can total how many biscuits are on both plates, for example. We have counted to and looked at numerals 0 to 14, and introduced the phonic sound "w" for winter, worm and weather.

- On Monday, we introduced our new sound "w" for winter and the number 14. The children all shared their weekend news with their key person during snack time. We enjoyed polar bear and penguin dancing with Mrs Wilson. Lots of children worked with Mrs Hampsheir to create "w" wiggles on paper, write "w" and practise drawing zig-zags and straight lines. The children practised writing their names carefully. The children really enjoyed mixing different coloured paints using their fingers underneath cling film, listening to our new special story and playing outside in the very frosty weather.
- On Tuesday, the children really enjoyed swimming and most of them were very brave and swam in the big pool with Miss Bryant for the first time. There was cooked spaghetti in the texture tray, which was very wiggly, and the children practised name writing and changed their library books with a grown up.
- On Wednesday morning, the children went for a listening walk in the woods. Despite the cold and the frost, children noticed that there are green bulbs beginning to grow in the woods. We walked all the way around the woods and heard lots of different noises and sounds. There was foam and paint in the texture tray, and some of the children worked with an adult to carefully count the biscuits on two teddies' plates. Then, they tried to 'add' the biscuits to find out "how many biscuits there were altogether?" Some of the children painted their homes.
- On Thursday, the children really enjoyed visiting the sports hall and playing with the bouncy balls, hoops, sponge balls and bean bags. There were many busy activities in Nursery; some of the children created winter collages and pictures, and talked about their homes, linked to our special story this week.
- On Friday morning, it was still quite cold. We looked at some photographs of children's homes from around the world, and talked about some of the homes in the very coldest places that people live.

## Over the weekend

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

- Place a small group of objects on a plate and then placing a small group of objects on another plate (you could have two teddies having a tea party) and ask your child “2 carrots on this plate and three carrots on that plate, how many carrots altogether?”
- Talk about the initial sound “w” and create a winter collage or picture together.
- Read some winter stories together.

## Dates for your diary:

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** World Maths Day

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March:** World Book Day – dress up as your favourite book character (please note change of date)

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Author/illustrator Chloe Inkpen to visit

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm:** Key person meeting with Miss Bruce and Mrs Hampsheir

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March – 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm:** Key person meeting with Mrs Coman and Mrs Hampsheir

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April – 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm:** Key person meeting with Mrs Martin and Mrs Hampsheir

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm:** - Key person meeting with Mrs Amies and Mrs Hampsheir

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*