



Nursery Newsletter

Spring One

Dear Nursery Parents

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all [A Very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year](#). We are delighted to welcome all of our Nursery children and their families back to the academy, after the Festive Holiday. We have another eventful half term ahead with exciting activities planned.

Book Sharing at Home:

During this half term we will continue to send books home on a weekly basis for you to share with your child to continue to promote an early love of books and reading. Remember to look at the helpful hints on how you can get the most enjoyment from book sharing. Please write a comment in the space provided in the Reading Record booklet for us to share views about the reading activity at home and in Nursery.

Mrs Bewick is changing her Reading Book Day to Wednesday from next week. Could you please return books on Monday or Tuesday. Mrs Cartwright's Book Reading Day will remain on a Thursday.

'Show and Tell' Circle Time: Every Monday

Please remember your child is able to bring an object (one object only) from home to share with the other children. We will then talk about their object and say why it is special to them and pass it around our circle for all the children to share and enjoy. Please remember a lot of little fingers will be handling each object, so best not to bring anything too valuable or precious as accidents do occasionally happen!

PE:

We will be going into the hall each Thursday and Friday morning for PE; your child does not need a PE kit or pumps **BUT** it would be very helpful if you could practice taking off and putting on jumpers or cardigans with your child.

Things to remember:

Forest School fun whatever the weather!

- * **Please label all of your children's clothes**
- * **FOREST SCHOOL is every Tuesday Morning**

Please come dressed in thick, cosy, warm clothing :

coat, wellies, hat, scarf, gloves and extra pair of thick warm socks to keep toes warm!

Please bring school uniform in a bag for children to change into after Forest School.

Remember Mrs Bewick's Reading Book Day will be on a Wednesday from next week



Nursery Topic

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After a wonderful start to the Nursery year, we now move

into the New Year and are immersed in Winter weather. Our topic for this half term is all about, "Keeping Warm in Winter". During this half term the Nursery children will continue to look at the changes that occur in our outdoor environment in Winter. Talking about the different weather conditions we experience and keeping a weather chart using symbols to compare our weather over the course of a number of weeks. We will be identifying the different birds that we see, making and hanging bird feeders to help the birds find food when the ground is frozen. We will be looking at different ways to keep warm in cold weather, looking at different sources of heat, wearing warm clothing, we will also talk about exercise and eating healthy nourishing food, we will make vegetable soup to keep us warm.

We will set up our own role play gym to demonstrate keeping active and warm through healthy exercise. We have a treadmill, exercise bike, cross trainer and other items you will be able to use when you become a member of Akroydon Nursery Gymnasium.

We will talk about how animals and humans keep warm at the North and South Pole, focusing on Inuits and how they keep warm in igloos and how the different polar animals keep warm in the Arctic and in Antarctica. We will focus on polar bears and penguins. During this topic the children will continue to use fiction and non-fiction books, telling and reading stories, counting, sorting and recognising numbers. We will be drawing and mark-making, creating our own pictures and stories in our Early Literacy books. We will be talking about time, learning the days of the week, months of the year and the seasons. We will learn lots of new songs and rhymes and will even learn how to waddle like a penguin!

We are going to be very busy indeed!

Kind regards

The Nursery Team

Mrs Bewick is always available to discuss and share any questions you may have before or after school. We thank you for your continued support as we start this new year sharing your child's learning journey together.

