



# Nursery Newsletter

Spring 1

January 2024

## Hello and welcome back to a new term in Nursery Class!

The children will continue to be taught by Miss Rothwell and work closely with the rest of the EYFS Team.

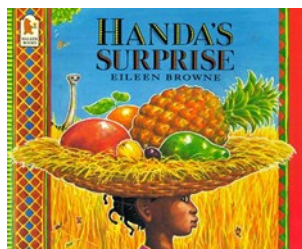
Doors open at 8.35, school starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15 pm.

Please ensure your child arrives at school on time each day and tell us or telephone if you would like someone else to collect your child. We can only allow your child to leave with another adult if you have given your permission.



### Themes

This half term we will start our learning journey by focusing on the theme healthy habits where we will learn all about how to keep our minds and bodies healthy; including how to look after our teeth. We will use key focus texts including 'Supertato' and 'The Tooth-fairy'. We will then move on to exploring the continent of Africa; focusing on the country on Kenya through focusing on the story 'Handa's Surprise' and other related texts. I wonder what life is like there-is it the same or different from our own? We will also be learning and exploring about the religious/cultural celebration: Chinese New Year and sharing 'The Great Race' story.



The children will be exploring these topics through the six learning areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

These are split into 3 prime areas; Physical Development, Personal, Social and Emotional Development and Communication and Language. There are also 4 prime areas; Mathematics, Literacy, Expressive Arts and Design and Knowledge and Understanding of the World. We will also continually support your children to develop their core and fine motor skills alongside their mark-making and encouraging independence in regards to self-care. We will be focusing more on rhyming, syllables and hearing and saying initial sounds in phonics but will continue to develop children's skill and confidence across all early phonic areas (phase 1).

### Mathematics

The children will continue to develop their counting and number recognition skills

alongside beginning to explore the composition of numbers within 10, combining groups and measuring capacity, weight, length and time.

### Library Books

The children will be given a new library book each Tuesday. This is a story to read to your child and spend time talking about the story and illustrations. We kindly ask you try to read the book regularly to your child throughout the week and make a note in their diary when you do. This broadens their vocabulary and develops their understanding of story structures.

### Tapestry

Please login to Tapestry as often as you can and read your child's observations. We welcome any comments on these and would love you to upload pictures of your child's achievements at home. For example, having stabilisers taken off bike, first swimming badge, clubs that they attend outside of school or anything at all that they have done to make you feel proud.



### Things to remember

Homework:

Given out: Friday

Due in: Monday

PE will be every Thursday morning and Friday afternoon. Children do not require a PE Kit to take part. We take off our jumpers, sock and shoes.

### Key Dates/Special Events :

Friday 26th January- Open Morning (more information to follow)

Friday 2nd February -Times Table Rockstar Day

Thursday 8th February-EYFS Chinese New Year Workshop.

