



Half Termly News: Nursery

Year group - Nursery	Term - Autumn 1	School Value - Empathy
Reception News	Reminders	School Diary
Welcome to all our new parents and children joining our Nursery this year. This half term we will be settling into our new class and getting to know each other. In Nursery we use Class Dojo as our learning journal. An information letter on how to sign up to Class Dojo will follow shortly.	Reading books and diaries need to be in school every Monday and Friday. Please ensure you are reading with your child daily and write comments in your child's orange reading record. Nursery library - Children will change their library books on Monday and Friday. Please ensure that all items are labelled and that children bring a named water bottle to school every day. Please provide a set of spare clothes that can be left at school. Please send your child in shoes that they can manage themselves, such as velcro shoes. Please ensure children always bring a coat into school as we go outside in all weathers. Children need a pair of welly boots in school daily.	2/9/26 - Children return 7-11/9/26 - Author and British Values week 22/9/26 - School tour 9.30 28/9/26 - School photos 1/10/26 - Poetry Day 5-9/10/26 - Harvest Week 9/10/26 - Global Friday 2/10/26 - Books and Biscuits 16/10/26 - School tour 9.30 21-22/10/26 - Parent Consultations 23/10/26 - Non-uniform and break up at 3.15pm for half term
Trips and events	Rewards used	Homework and projects
8/10/26 - Phonics workshop Autumn walk around the school Listening walk around the school	Stickers Star of the Week award- class bear sent home for the weekend	Daily reading Weekly challenge tasks on ClassDojo

Subject	Key Learning and vocabulary
Personal, Social & Emotional Development Literacy Phonics Maths	Settling into our Nursery - classroom rules, learning the daily routines e.g. washing hands, snack time, tidy up, toileting etc. Daily story time, daily singing and dancing session. Exploring different ways of mark making e.g. paint, chalk, pencils etc. Core nursery rhymes: 1. Incy Wincy Spider 2. Twinkle twinkle little star 3. Baa baa black sheep 4. Miss Polly had a dolly Core books: 1. Dear Zoo 2. Brown bear, brown bear 3. We're going on a bear hunt Phonics: listening, turn taking activities, learning to distinguish between different sounds. Number rhymes and songs, sorting out different items by size, colour and shape. Nursery rhymes that we will be learning this half term: 'Once I caught a fish alive' 'Five little ducks' 'Five currant buns'
Child initiated learning	Resources available
Physical development Understanding of the world Expressive art and design	Use of large equipment including climbing frame, slides, bikes and scooters. Exploring natural resources in the garden. Going on a nature walk around the school. learning about Autumn. Exploring a wide range of creative resources and learning how to use different tools in a safe way e.g. scissors
Enrichment tasks	Websites phonicsplay.co.uk topmarks.co.uk



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	ictgames.com cosmickids.com Suggested activities Practice dressing and undressing Use a range of equipment at your local park Visit the library
Other Messages	Link to the class information and long term plans https://www.leys.herts.sch.uk/ki-classes-leys.html