



Kingswells Nursery Newsletter - Term 4

A warm welcome back to everyone after the Easter holidays and a special welcome to all the new children and their families who are starting at Kingswells Nursery this term. It's hard to believe that it's Term 4 already and that we have begun the transition process for our pre-schoolers who will be leaving us at the end of term.

What we are learning?

This term in Nursery our focus for the AM and PM class will be People Who Help Us. We started this topic at the end of last term and the children have enjoyed learning about the Police and Vets. The children are keen to find out more about the emergency services, doctors and teachers. We have already been fortunate enough to have had a visit from a Fire Engine and the children had the opportunity to see what was kept inside and have a go at squirting water from the hose. We have also had a visit from Dr Bennett, one of our morning parents, who talked to the children about her role and showed them what she keeps in her Doctor's bag.

In **Literacy**, we will be focusing on the letters of the alphabet and continuing with our work on rhyme. We will continue to support the children to write their names and to develop their fine motor skills.

In **Numeracy** we will be learning the names and simple properties of 3D shapes and finding out about money. The children have suggested that we turn our role play area into a Post Office so there will be lots of opportunities to play with coins and to make 3D shape parcels to post.

We are always keen to listen to the children's ideas about what they would like to learn in Nursery and encourage parents to share these with us.

Woody Wednesday/ Outdoor Learning

We will continue to go to the woods on either a Wednesday or Thursday this term. There is a sign up sheet in the cloakroom for any parents who would like to help. Please continue to dress your children appropriately for the weather. Hopefully this term we will see some sunshine!

We are continuing to encourage the children to dress independently and ask if you can support us with this by providing them with indoor shoes that can be easily put on, no laces please. Remember to name everything!

Nursery Garden

A big thank you to Graeme Thom, one of our morning parents, who helped to repair the felt on the Wendy House roof. The felt was kindly donated to us by Sainsburys through their community funding.

As the nicer weather approaches we have some jobs in our garden that require more parent helpers, including painting the Wendy House and some of the garden furniture. Please let a member of staff know if you are able to help us.

Cloakroom

As this is a very busy term please check the whiteboard daily for updates. The Parents' board is updated weekly with our learning intentions. Our 'Policy of the Month' for May is Health and Safety. Please leave any feedback on a post-it note on the sheet provided or simply sign the sheet to show that you are aware of the policy. Your views are really important to us and we are happy to make any alterations to our policies if we receive feedback about them.

Please ensure the cloakroom is kept tidy and all belongings are taken home after each session. Lost Property will be taken to the Charity Shop at the end of each term.

Nursery Times

There are still a number of parents arriving late both in the morning and afternoon and this encroaches on both the staff and children's time in Nursery especially on Wednesdays when we are heading up to the woods. Please be reminded that the Nursery Times are as follows

Nursery AM - drop off 8.35-8.50am

pick up 11.30-11.45am

Nursery PM - drop off 12.25 – 12.40

Pick up 3.20-3.35pm

Dates for your Diary

Monday 7th May – Monday Holiday

Tuesday 8th May - Inservice day. School closed to all pupils.

Tuesday 5th June – Stay and Play/ Induction Meeting 9.15-10.30am.

Wednesday 6th June - Nursery Sports AM and PM.

- Nursery Induction Meeting 6.30pm

Wednesday 13th June - Nursery Sports (if cancelled on the 6th)

Wednesday 20th June – Woody Wednesday for parents to come too.

Wednesday 4th July - Summer Extravaganza (more details to follow!)

Summer Holidays Friday 6th July returning on Tuesday 21st August 2018

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, comments or complaints please see a member of the nursery team or contact Mrs Cran (DHT.)

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Rose

On behalf of

The Nursery Team