



Pre-School Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term (Second Half) 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe that we are now in the last part of this academic year, it has flown by, and we have done so much together. We still have six weeks remaining and have lots planned for the remaining weeks.

Learning Theme – Wonderful World

This half term, we are looking at an exciting new theme: *'Our Wonderful World'*. We will be introducing the children to a range of traditional and modern storybooks that inspire curiosity, creativity, and a love for the world around them. Among the stories we'll be sharing are *'Octopants'* by Suzy Senior, *'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'* by Michael Rosen, and *'The Colour Monster'* by Anna Llenas.

Alongside our key texts the children will be delving into the wonders of science and nature. We'll explore a variety of environments and ecosystems, investigating what makes each one unique. From forests and oceans to deserts and jungles, we'll observe what happens in these habitats and discuss the animals and plants that call them home. The children will work together on simple investigations and hands-on experiments to spark their curiosity and develop their scientific thinking.

A special focus this term will be on colour exploration and mixing, with a range of fun experiments including basic chemical reactions. This will help the children understand how colours can change and combine, linking with our books and other activities that support emotional development and expression.

For our older children preparing to move on to Reception, we'll be supporting their transition through a range of school readiness activities. These will include practising name writing, learning how to independently put on shoes and coats, and building confidence in everyday tasks. Key workers will encourage independence by guiding children in making their own lunch choices in the hall, using cutlery correctly, pouring their own drinks, and developing fine motor skills through tailored activities.

We would love your support at home with some of these life skills – practising name writing using correct letter formations encouraging your child to dress themselves, or letting them help with pouring and serving at mealtimes can make a big difference in helping them feel confident and capable as they take this next big step.

We're looking forward to a half term full of exploration, discovery, and lots of fun!

Ideas for Supporting Your Child at Home.

Reading – The lending library is available throughout the week; this will offer a wide variety of books for you and your child to enjoy together. Reading is important at all ages of development as it broadens the child's vocabulary as well as giving you some valuable time together.

Encourage your child to be independent – Can they dress and undress themselves? Can they eat with a knife and fork? Can they take themselves to the toilet independently? These are part of our school readiness goals, and we encourage all of these daily within Pre-school.

Reminders

Please provide wellies for your child to change into at Pre-school. We go outside in all weathers and while we do have a limited number of spares. We cannot always guarantee enough being available if your child requires them. This may mean they miss out on the outdoor learning experiences they all thoroughly enjoy.

As the weather begins to warm and the sun comes out can we begin to look at bringing in bottles of named suncream for your children. Please can children come into Pre-school with suncream already applied. Staff will then reapply throughout the day as required.

Please label all items. As the Pre-school gets busier, having named items will minimize the chance of belongings not being returned to the correct owner.

Diary Dates

Summer Term 2025

Wednesday 23rd July Term Ends

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 1 st September	Training Day
Tuesday 2 nd September	Training Day
Wednesday 3 rd September	Autumn Term Starts
Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	October Half Term
Monday 3 rd November	Training Day
Tuesday 4 th November	Autumn Term Continues
Friday 19 th December	Term Ends
Monday 22 nd December – Friday 2 nd January	Christmas Holiday

Please be aware that we do occasionally need to alter some of these dates, but any alterations will be notified to parents.

Yours sincerely



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On behalf of Wintringham Primary Academy (part of TDLPT)