



Pre-School Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term – First Half 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break! With the new term underway, we're excited to share all the wonderful things happening in Pre-School as we head into the warmer months.

Learning Theme – Around the World

This half term, we'll be embarking on a global adventure with our new theme, 'Around the World'. Over the next six weeks we will be introducing the children to some story books including 'Errol's Garden' by Gillian Hibbs, 'Around the World with Max and Lemon' and 'Catch that Chicken' by Atinuke.

Within this learning theme the children will be learning all about different cultures, countries, languages and families. We will use our around the world display to encourage these conversations. If you have any postcards or items that you wouldn't mind us adding to our display, then we would happily receive any donations. If you wish to share anything about your families' adventures around different parts of the world then this can be done on Tapestry.

This learning theme will help children develop their Personal, Social and Emotional Development. Allow development opportunities in areas such as Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design and encourage conversations that will extend Communication and Language development.

The children who will be going to school in September 2026 will be recapping their phonics sessions with the initial sounds of all the letters of the alphabet before moving onto the concepts of blending as we begin to reach the final weeks of the academic year.

Ideas for Supporting Your Child at Home.

Reading – Reading is important at all ages of development as it broadens the child's vocabulary as well as giving you some valuable time together.

Phonics – Each week we will share with you the different sounds that your children are learning as part of their Phase 1 phonics interventions. It would be great to see you following this at home too.

Please 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 this 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 sunscreen for your children. As the summer approaches, we remind you all that when required your children should be coming into Pre-school with sunscreen 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.

Summer Term Diary Dates:

Summer Term 2026

Monday 13rd April

Tuesday 14th April

Monday 4th May

Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

Monday 1st June

Friday 17th July

Monday 20th July

Training Day

Summer Term Starts

May Bank Holiday

May Half Term

Summer Term Continues

Term Ends

Training Day