



Pre-School Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term – Second Half 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Learning Theme – The Wonderful World

This half term, we'll be continuing our global adventure with our new theme, 'The Wonderful World'. Over the next few weeks we will be introducing the children to some story books including 'Octopants' by Suzy Senior, 'Mixed' by Arree Chung, 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas and 'Ruby Finds a Worry' by Tom Percival.

Within this learning theme children will be learning all about science – through experiments and investigation encouraging curiosity, questioning and discovery.

This learning theme will help children to continue to develop their Personal, Social and Emotional Development. It will also promote 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. We will also be looking at transitions with our older co-hort, we will begin to transition our school leaver children into Reception in small groups across the coming weeks and they will be having their school lunches in the hall to help them with this change come September.

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.

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 suncream for your children. As the summer approaches, we remind you all that when required your children should be coming 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.

Summer Term Diary Dates:

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Friday 17th July
Monday 20th July

Term Ends
Training Day