



Little Cherries Newsletter

Friday 10th May 2019

Dear Parent /Carers,

All too soon we find ourselves in the final term of this academic year. We have a very busy Summer term ahead and we hope that the new term brings some good weather so we can make the most of the activities we have planned.

Rhyming Activities

This half term we are planning activities that will allow the children to experience and appreciate rhythm and rhyme and to develop awareness of rhythm and rhyme in speech. We regularly include rhyming books, poems and nursery rhymes as part of the daily session, reading with plenty of intonation and expression so that the children tune into the rhythm of the language and the rhyming words. Whilst reading *The Gingerbread Man* we encouraged the children to join in with repetitive phrases such as 'Run, run as fast as fast as you can, You can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread man.' Our current rhyming story is 'Jack and the Beanstalk' by Nick Sharratt and Stephen Tucker. To add enjoyment and intensify learning we have been making activities multisensory, using props and planning related activities.



Growing beans is a simple science activity and perfect when paired with the classic tale of Jack and the Beanstalk which will allow children to observe the changes in plant growth over time. Children have also painted their own bean and sprinkled it with a little magic.



EasyPeasy

We are now almost halfway through the EasyPeasy programme and we hope that you are enjoying the weekly games and activities. To consolidate learning for your children we also plan these activities into our week. These games and activities aim to build the skills your child needs to succeed at school and life. These skills include: speaking and listening, confidence and resilience, curiosity and creativity, getting on with others.



Dressing Up



Tower of Hands



Matching Pairs



Beep n Honk

Weather

As the weather is very unpredictable at the moment, please can you ensure that your child attends preschool in appropriate shoes and clothing every day. As the summer weather approaches, please make sure you have applied sun cream before the session. Children have access to outdoor learning in all weathers- rain, shine hail or snow! Please make sure all items are clearly labelled.



CLASS PHOTOGRAPH ORDERS.

Please note that if you would like to place an order for the group photograph, the deadline for orders is Friday 24th May.

Are You Planning a Holiday in Term Time?

At this time of year you may be planning to take your holidays. If this is in term time please keep us informed by requesting and filling in a holiday booking form.



OTHER INFORMATION

Netherhall Students: Over the next 2 weeks you will see some new faces in the group. We have 3 Netherhall School students, Emily, Rachel and Demi, participating in their work placement.

Fee Increases for September 2019: This is to inform those fee paying parents whose children will be returning to us in September of our fee increase. The session fee will be £13.50 and the lunch club session £3.50.

Trip to Cheeky Monkeys: On Tuesday 11th June we are planning our annual trip to Cheeky Monkeys Play Barn. This will take place during your child's normal session time. More information to follow.

Diary Dates

Half Term Monday 27th - Friday 31st - CLOSED (Return Monday 3rd June)

Trip to Cheeky Monkeys - Tuesday 11th June

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Anita Yates
Manager