

Dear Parents/Guardians

We hope that you have had a wonderful half term break and are ready for another busy few weeks! Towards the end of last half term the children were noticing the changes in the weather and so we have decided to follow a topic on Spring. At the same time, we have some special objects coming to Nursery and Reception – duck eggs! Our topic this half term will be ‘Spring and Ducklings’. If anyone has any duck and spring books, resources or small world toys that you no longer want we would be very grateful for them.

This half term one of our main in Maths will be recognising numbers and beginning to compare groups of objects. We would really appreciate it if you could count frequently with your child and encourage them to read numbers in the environment, such as those on buses, TV channels, in books and in supermarket. There are also lots of BBC Nursery Rhymes that include counting that you could listen to and learn with your child. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/schoolradio/subjects/earlylearning/nurserysongs>

In literacy we are working on finding rhyming words and beginning to hear initial sounds. You could play games with your child that help them tune into sounds in words. I spy and making up rhyming names for each other are enjoyed by the children in Nursery. We are also encouraging the children to write marks that represent their name on any pictures that they do.

Please find attached the medium-term plan for this half term, although these are subject to change as the children may direct their learning in a different way!

The following are some important dates that you may want to put in your diary.

Thursday 1st March – Stay and play – Come and join us for some fun in Nursery! Morning session 9am till 10am. Afternoon session 1.45pm till 2.45pm.

Thursday 1st March – World Book Day – bring a book to swap with another child. This book won't be returned so choose one that you do not want back. The children will choose what book they want to bring home.

Friday 16th March – Easter Bingo. This takes place in the evening. Letter to follow.

Monday 19th March – Easter Bonnet Parade – 9am. Make an Easter Bonnet at home to show to show to the rest of the school! Please bring the bonnet in on the Monday morning. You are invited to watch the parade in the hall.

Thursday 22nd March – Nursery closes. (Rest of the school remains open).

Friday 23rd March – School closes

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you

Miss Deary