

Nursery Newsletter



Summer 2—2024/2025

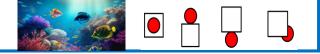
Notices and Reminders

We hope that you had a lovely half-term holiday and are ready for the final few weeks of this academic year. Please find below a couple of key reminders:

- If you would like to donate any flowers, herbs and vegetables to plant please let a member of the team know. The children are really enjoying starting to tend to our garden.
- Don't forget to upload your half-term break fun onto Tapestry!

Communication and Language

Through our under the sea topic, the children will be continuing to learn and explore new and exciting language. They will focus on asking and answering questions using why and how. The children will develop their concentration and attention through exploring seaside objects and animals. They will develop their imaginary and pretend play skills. The children will learn prepositions using in, on, under and behind.



Physical Development

This half term, the children will be developing their pencil grips and learning to apply their phonics knowledge to write recognisable letter shapes. They will also explore patterns, such as zig zags and curves, as well as forming complete 2D shapes, such as circles and squares. They will continue to use their name cards to copy letter shapes in their name as well as trying to write their name independently. The children will have opportunities to develop their gross motor skills, focusing on bat and ball skills.



Key Dates

Monday 2nd June - start of term Monday 2nd June to Thursday 5th June - Y6 Calshot residential Tuesday 3rd June - YR height, weight and sight tests Friday 6th June - INSET day (academy closed to all pupils) Friday 13th June - KS1 and KS2 sports day Wednesday 18th June - class photos Thursday 19th June - Y3 SOLD day Friday 20th June - Y4 swimming lessons start every Friday until Friday 18th July Thursday 26th June - Y3 Mytchett Quays trip Thursday 26th June - FFMPS Y6 leavers' disco (7pm) Monday 30th June to Friday 4th July - Kite community week Tuesday 1st July - move up day Thursday 3rd July - Y4 Mytchett Quays trip Friday 4th July - non-school uniform day (raising money for Chloe and Sophie's Special Ears Fund) Wednesday 9th July - EYFS sports day Thursday 10th July - Y6 Mytchett Quays trip Wednesday 16th July - Y6 end of year performance (6:00pm) Thursday 17th July - Rocksteady concert Friday 18th July - FFMPS pizza party and ice cream van for Y6 leavers Friday 18th July - summer term SMILE afternoon Monday 21st July - Y6 leavers' assembly (9:00am) Monday 21st July - strawberry tea (1:30pm) Tuesday 22nd July - Y6 shirt signing (bring in an extra polo shirt to be signed) Tuesday 22nd July - end of term (1:10pm collection)

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term, the children will be learning how to be a good friend. They will be supported in taking turns, sharing and being sensitive towards others' feelings. The children will be learning about the importance of oral hygiene. They will be talking about their teeth brushing routines and learning why it is important to brush their teeth twice a day.





Literacy

This half term, the children will continue to develop early literacy skills through the core texts 'The Rainbow Fish', 'The Three Little Fish and the Big Bad Shark', 'Tiddler' and 'Super Duper You'. They will use new vocabulary to develop storytelling through play. Through early phonics sessions, they will increase their awareness of words that rhyme and learn to produce rhyming words. The older children will continue to explore phonemes (sounds) and learn how these phonemes are linked to graphemes (letters).



Understanding the World

The children will be exploring their natural world through their core books and learn about sea animals and their natural environment. Their non-fiction texts will help the children revisit previous learning about caring and respecting our natural world and link this to developing their understanding of different features and countries. The children will develop their understanding of different animals and sorting them into their environment, such as land and sea. The children will explore the season summer and begin to describe differences in weather.

Mathematics

In our final half term, the children will be consolidating lots of the learning from throughout the year. They will revisit 2D and 3D shapes, copy and follow simple patterns, count out groups of objects and find the matching numerals. They will be thinking about number order and using the words *before* and *after*. When thinking about the composition of number, they will sort dominoes by how many spots are shown and will also explore the different ways that 3, 4 or 5 items can be shared between two people.



Expressive Arts and Design

The children will explore sea creatures, learning to use their imagination to draw them. They will practice simple drawing techniques, learning how to include more detail in their pictures. They will have the opportunity to explore different materials and media to develop their ideas, as well as building models to represent sea creatures. The children will be encouraged to develop their pretend play further and extend this among a larger group.







<u>Homework</u>



- Talk to a grown-up about how to stay safe around water.
- Explore floating and sinking at bath time.
- Please upload photos or videos of your experiences visiting the seaside or an aquarium for us to share with the children via Tapestry.
- Can you make a model of a seaside creature using cardboard boxes, tubes and plastic containers?
- Tell an adult about your favourite sea creature. Can you draw a picture? What colours would you use?

Suggested books for reading





