

EY NEWSLETTER (2) SPRING TERM 2025

Dear Parents and Children

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term, which we hope will bring a little Spring-like weather!

Termly Topics

Our topics for this half term are:

- 'Science' – the children will be taking part in hands-on activities and fun experiments. We will encourage curiosity, problem-solving, and teamwork as we introduce them to the magic of science.
- 'People Who Help Us' – we will be discussing the world around us and positive relationships with community members. We are looking for any parent volunteers that work within industries that help people to come and talk to the Early Years children about their job roles. This may include doctors, dentists, police, opticians and firefighters to name but a few. Please let us know if you would like to come in.
- 'The Farm' – exploring the sounds and movements of the different animals through songs, stories, and role-play. Activities such as making animal masks, creating farm-themed art, and pretending to be farmers in a fun role-play.

Happy Chicks (w/c 3rd March)

We are excited to let you know that we will have chicks visiting our class. The children will get to watch as the chicks hatch from eggs and grow over the course of the week. This is a wonderful

opportunity for them to learn about the life cycle of chickens and see firsthand how eggs turn into baby chicks. We cannot wait for the children to enjoy this special moment!

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This term so far, we have met Clever Cat (c), Eddy Elephant (e), Kicking King (k), Golden Girl (g) and Oscar Orange (o). We will continue to meet more characters and introduce their initial sound in words; these characters include, Bouncy Ben (b), Vicky Violet (v), Walter Walrus (w) and Uppy Umbrella (u).

Summer Uniform

Full Summer uniform will be worn after the Easter break on Mondays. For girls, this is the school summer dress, red shoes and the straw boater. For boys, it is the Merton Court amber polo shirt with grey shorts. Please ensure all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name and that long hair is tied back using the school guideline hair accessories. Sports kit after Easter is white shorts, house polo shirt and white trainers.

Children must wear their caps/hats and blazers to and from school or baseball caps if in sports kit and must have the correct school bag.

'Look How I Have Grown'

Many thanks for all the 'Stars' that have so far been returned, it is lovely to see how independent and grown up the children are becoming. Should you require any more please ask a member of the EY team.

Home School Diaries

Please note that these are always available in the children's drawers and we welcome any photographs or other additions that support your child's interests or developmental progress. You are welcome to take them home to share with family members, please ask a member of the Early Years team if you would like to do so.

The children love sharing these with their friends and talking about their adventures.

Morning Routine

To prepare the children for the next academic year we will be closing the gate at 8.45am and our register will then be taken promptly. This should help the children with their transition into J1. We will also be joining in with some whole school assemblies, so it is important the children arrive on time.

Tiny Tots

Our Tiny Tots session will recommence on Thursday 1st May between 9:30-10:30. These sessions are run in the Early Years classroom for prospective parents and sessions are charged at £5 per child. Please see the website for further details.

Diary of events:

FOMC Comedy Night – Friday 7th March
Animal Encounter Day – Thursday 20th March

Easter Bonnet Parade– Monday 24th March

EY Mother's Day Stay & Play – Thursday 27th March, 1.45-3.00

End of term – Friday 28th March, 12 Noon

We look forward to sharing an exciting second half of the Spring Term with both you and the children.

Kind regards

Mrs Richardson, Miss Thatcher and the Early Years Team.

