



Robin Hood Primary School

Nursery Newsletter – Friday 22nd April 2022

This Week:

What a super first week back the children have had! They have settled back fantastically and have blown us away with their amazing efforts. The children were able to see the final stage of the lifecycle of a butterfly, observing the changes from a chrysalis into a beautiful butterfly. The children enjoyed their release, as we wished them well for their future.

We have really started to notice the early signs of summer in Nursery this week. We have enjoyed being outside in our learning environment now the weather is gradually starting to warm up. What signs of summer have you noticed on your way to and from school, Nursery?

Home Learning:

Phonics – With a grown-up, play a listening game about a visit to a farm. Begin by saying, “I went to the farm and I saw...” – instead of saying the animal’s name, split the word up into its letter sounds. The other person has to identify the animal by blending the sounds together. For example, “I went to the farm and I saw a c-a-t. It’s a cat!” Try the animals shown in the picture below.



Reading – To read your phonics book and your reading for pleasure book with a parent. **Please ensure these are logged on your Go Read app** – the children will receive their gems for this. We have allocated the children books on Oxford owl, and you will need to be able to log on and see the books allocated to your children.

*Please bring your Reading Folder to school every week. **MTW and 30-hour children should return their Reading Folders on Monday** and **WThF children should return their Reading Folders on Wednesday afternoon**. These will be changed and handed back out. Please remember to log the books we send home from school, on the Go Read app. It is optional to record any other books you share with your child.*

Next Week:

Literacy: In Literacy, we will continue to share the story What the Ladybird Heard by Julia Donaldson. The children will be encouraged to hear and say the initial sound in words, drawing their favourite farm animal from the story and using some of their print and letter knowledge to represent this. The children will continue to practise writing their names, trying hard to form their letters correctly. The children will take part in many activities across the week. For example, singing familiar nursery rhymes, using small world farm to encourage children to retell and create farm stories and rhymes, making magical mud exploring cornflour and providing simple mark-making tools and paintbrushes for the children to explore mark making to create patterns, lines and shapes. What a lot of exciting activities to look forward to!

Phonics: We will be focusing on Phase 1 Aspect 7 Oral Blending and Segmenting. The aim of this aspect is to develop oral and segmenting skill.

Maths: In Maths, we will begin to select shapes appropriately; flat surfaces for buildings, a triangular prism for a roof, etc. We will encourage children to combine shapes to make new ones – an arch, a bigger triangle etc. We will provide a variety of construction materials like blocks, interlocking bricks and den-making material. Allowing children to play freely with these materials, outdoors and inside. We will be talking about the shapes and how their properties suit the purpose e.g. “Where does this triangular one/ cylinder/ cuboid go?”

Dates for your diary:

- Nursery’s Virtual Parent Consultations are on **Tuesday 26th April** for children who **will** be beginning Reception in September 2022. These will be held on Studybugs. If you have any further questions, please ask a member of our Nursery team.

Reminders:

- Please ensure you are dropping off/picking up your child in the allocated time slot, based on your child’s surname:

Arrive	Leave
A – M 8:40 – 8:50	A – M 3:00 – 3:10
N– Z 8:50 – 9.00	N- Z 3:10 – 3:20

- Indoor PE** – Our PE days are on a **Wednesday** (MTW and 30-hour children) and **Friday** (WTF and 30-hour children). On your child’s PE day(s), they can come to school dressed in their PE kit (white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms or shorts, black or green jumper and trainers).
- Every day your child has the option of having a piece of snack (fruit or vegetable) provided by school, which they can enjoy in the Snack Café. Please feel free to send in an alternative piece of fruit or vegetable, if you wish.

- Water Bottles will remain in school and will be washed and refilled ready for your child every day.
- If you would like to bring in treats for your child's birthday, please ensure these are individually wrapped, e.g. Haribos.
- Please ensure you have joined your child's Google Classroom to ensure you are receiving key information and updates. If you need your child's log in details please let their teacher know.
- We are a Healthy School, therefore if you are sending your child with a packed lunch, please ensure you are providing a balanced, healthy lunch for your child. You can find some suggestions on the following website - <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#lunchbox-recipes>, which provides some sweet/chocolate substitutions, as sweets and chocolates should not be in your child's lunchbox.
- Please ensure your child is sent with a change of clothes in case of any accidents. These can be kept in your child's bag. Please ensure your child's name is clearly labelled on all items of clothing.
- If you wish to contact your child's class teacher, please use the below email address during school hours: missmills@robinhoodapps.co.uk (Miss Mills)

Have a lovely weekend,
Miss Mills and the Nursery .Team.