



Sunflower Nursery

Session times:

Morning - 8.40am-11.40am

Afternoon - 12.25pm-3.25pm



Spring Term Newsletter

January 2018

Welcome back!



Sunflower Nursery Team are:

Mrs A Dobson: Early Years Teacher

Miss M Robinson: Teaching Assistant

Miss L Eardley: Apprentice



New starters

We are delighted to welcome our new starters and wish them a happy and enjoyable year in Sunflower Nursery. Nursery staff are very pleased at how quickly the children have settled back into nursery after the Christmas break and are super proud of how the older children are proving to be great role models for our new starters. Well done!

Marvellous Me

Marvellous Me is now up and running and is proving an excellent way of communicating with parents. If your child is a new starter you will soon be given a code. Please log on as soon as possible so that the Nursery staff and school can share with you the exciting things that your child gets up to in Nursery. If you are unsure how to do this, please ask a member of staff who will be happy to help.

Snack

During each session we have a snack in which children are given the opportunity to sample a range of healthy foods over the course of their time with us. Our snack is often themed, linking to our topics or the colour of the week.

Water Bottles

Please could you send your child to school with a water bottle. Please ensure bottles are clearly named and only contain water, not flavoured water or juice.

Drop in Sessions

Nursery has a drop in session every Monday night, when Mrs Dobson is available to speak to you privately. An appointment is not needed. The session runs from 3.45- 4.15.

Outdoor clothes

As the colder weather continues please ensure that your child comes to Sunflower Nursery in appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor play as we do try to spend some time outside whatever the weather.

Lost Property

Please ensure that all your child's clothes have their name inside so that they can be identified and returned to your child if they misplace them.



30.01.18
Parents drop in session: Focus for session is toilet training
27.03.18 & 28.03.18
Spring cafe: details to follow later in the term

School Holiday dates

Finish for half Term

09.02.18

Return to school

19.10.18

Finish for Easter

29.03.18

Return to school

16-04-18

Our areas of learning

Additional Information

Spring Term Focus

Your child will have a day packed full of fun activities and play! Play is essential for your child's development, building their confidence as they learn to explore, to think about problems and relate to others. Children will be given opportunities to lead their own play and take part in play, which is guided by adults.

Personal, social and emotional development

We are working with your child to help them...

- to be interested in others play and make new friends
- to explore new situations and environments
- to begin to cooperate with routines and boundaries

Communication and Language

We are working with your child to help them...

- listen to others
- understand and use new words
- enjoy stories, songs and rhymes

Physical Development

We are working with your child to help them...

- gain increasing control in holding equipment
- to increase their independence in self-care activities such as feeding, dressing and toileting

Focus on books

This term we will take our inspiration for planning activities from books which the children have taken an interest in. We will start with The Tiger who came to tea using this as a hook for learning. Watch out for the tiger masks which we will be creating and for the role play which will follow.....roar!

Reading at home

We will continue to send books home on a daily basis for you to share with your child. Sharing books, stories and rhymes is a great way of encouraging language development and also in promoting a love of books.

Uniform

A huge thank you to everyone for supporting the wearing of our uniform. Please can we just remind you that skirts and dresses are not safe when doing any physical activities. Culottes, leggings or trousers are to be worn.

Celebrating your child's success!

Each week we choose a Star of the week. This is awarded for something which is of significance to individual children. The children are always very excited to hear who the award is being given to each week. It allows us to celebrate your child's success and gives them a sense of pride and achievement.

Staff Contacts

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