



Nursery Parent Information for the week beginning 12th May 2025

It has been a wonderful couple of weeks with the ducklings in the Nursery and the children have all loved looking after them, watching them grow and waddle about the classroom. It was a sad goodbye on Thursday when they went to their new home in Holyport with one of our Lunchtime servers. But we know they will be well looked after and have lots of space to waddle about in and stretch their wings. We will also be getting frequent updates on our fluffy little friends and it has been a truly wonderful experience for the nursery children to see the magic of nature unfold before their very eyes.

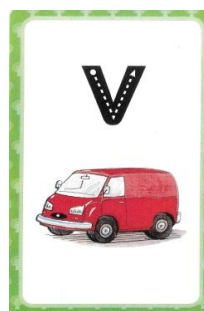
School Uniform and bags

- We are now in the summer term so summer uniform can be worn. Please see details of the uniform on the website. The school dress is for girls is checked pink with white socks. The boys wear a maroon polo shirt and grey shorts.
- If you have not done so already, please send your child in with a pair of clearly labelled wellies.
- Please label your child's uniform. please may we also ask that children wear school shoes, not trainers.
- Please provide a bag of spare clothes, as sometime children may need to change, due to a toileting accident/ engaging in messy/water play throughout the day.
- Please send your child to school with their reading books in their maroon book bag every day. They take home letters and any crafts they have done in their book bags too.
- Remember to send your child with a labelled water bottle every day.

Phonics



This half term we will continue to look at phase 1 elements of phonics in addition to continuing to learn our next first few phonics sounds.



This week we will be recapping the sounds we learnt last half term through different phonic and fine motor opportunities in the class room activities and playing phase 1 sound games.

We will also be learning the new sound 'v' as in van.

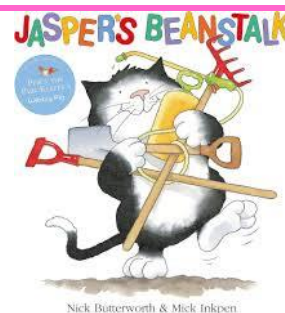
Please remember to read with your child and sign their reading record book each time. Please read the book with your child multiple times over the week. You can split the book over several sittings. Discussing 3 pages each night for example. Please bring the reading record and book in daily in the maroon book bag. Children's books will be changed on **Thursdays/Fridays**.

The lilac books are wordless to build up spoken vocabulary and storytelling language. Discuss the pictures in the book and allow them to make up the story from what they can see encouraging the use of full sentences. There are also comprehension questions at the backs of the books which will give you an idea of some of the question you can ask your child when reading with them.

Literacy



In Literacy we will be continuing to look at the lifecycles of plants and the book Jasper's Beanstalk by Nick Butterworth. We will be retelling the story and thinking about the beginning, middle and end and trying to use the sequence of this story to help support us with understanding the growth of plants and how we look after plants.



Nursery would continue to appreciate any donations of seeds, beans, soil and plants so we can be budding growers and gardeners this half term.

Maths



In maths this week we will be continuing sequencing. This week we will be looking back at the story and see what Jasper did each day of the week. We will then be sequencing the days of the week in the right order. We will also explore other stories with are sequenced in line with the days of the week such as the very hungry caterpillar.



At home talk about the different days as the week go and try and remember what order the days of the week goes in. Can your child sing you the days of the week or the months of the year song from Nursery?

RE



We will be continuing our new topic To the ends of the earth this half term in Nursery. This week we will be focusing on Jesus's friends and disciples. We will be thinking about what it means to be a good friend. We will be reflecting back on all of the stories we have heard about Jesus' life and thinking about what Jesus' friends would have shared about Jesus and how he wanted us to be



At home think about the life of Jesus. What stories can you remember? Where was Jesus born? What did Jesus want to teach people?

Topic



This week we will be exploring the life cycles of plants and will be planting and watching the growth of our own bean plants in class.

If you are able to donate any plant or vegetable seeds, soil or any other gardening related equipment the Nursery will be very appreciative.



We will endeavour to answer any questions at pick up times throughout the Nursery day but it can be quite rushed as we have so many children and parents. Please use the following email to contact your class teacher if you have any questions or queries:

We hope you all have a lovely long bank holiday weekend

Best wishes

Miss Petford, Ms Richardson and Mrs Featherstone