

# NURSERY

## Summer Curriculum Letter



Dear Parents / Carers,

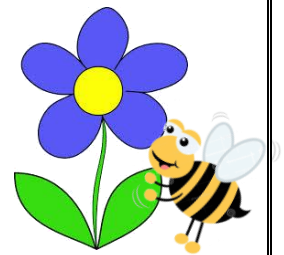
Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Easter break! Below is some information regarding the summer term...

### Curriculum

Our topic this half-term is 'How does your garden grow?' This is a fun topic where your child will learn all about the different plants and minibeasts (insects) found in an English garden habitat.

We will plant a variety of seeds to grow a range of flowers and vegetables. We will discuss what plants need to grow, how we can care for them and all the weird and wonderful creatures in God's world.

We have had lots of fun learning the different songs and actions related to our phonics learning- please ask your children at home which songs they can sing you! We will continue to learn the names of the letters in the alphabet and their phonic sound and, importantly, help the children understand the concept of a word, e.g. can your child count how many words there are in a sentence? Can she/he find a word beginning with s/p?



In terms of the children's mathematical development, we will develop the children's mathematical vocabulary relating to measure, e.g. Is your plant shorter or taller than mine? Which beanstalk is the tallest/shortest? Can you order these five worms from longest to shortest? We will count and sort seeds of varying shape and size, identifying which we have more/less of.

We will be practising for our nursery sports day and perfecting minibeast dance moves – slithering, wiggling, crawling and flying to music! We will continue to develop our mouse control when using the computer to explore a range of educational games.

In RE, we will be reflecting on Jesus rising from the dead and the Easter message – God loves everyone! This will lead to us learning how the disciples spread the Easter message after receiving The Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

## Morning Routine

Now we are in the summer term, we are beginning to think about the children's transition to BIG school. Therefore we have made a slight change to the morning routine:

- 8:40am – nursery doors open and children can play at the morning activities set out
- 8:50am – the children will be encouraged to look at a book on the carpet area
- 9:00am – the register will be taken

Please ensure your child is on time for the start of the day – it is very unsettling for them to be rushing in the mornings and to miss the explanations of what we will be doing throughout the day.

## Story Sacks

We will continue to send home story sacks, on a rota basis this term. So if it is your child's turn to take home a story sack – make the most of it! Each sack contains a story and some other resources to promote engagement with the story, e.g. information books, puppets, games and puzzles.

You can keep the story sack for one week – these are given out on Tuesdays and should be returned the following Monday. Please ensure it has all the resources when you return it to the nursery, so other children can continue to enjoy the sacks too.

## Uniform

This summer term, the school children are required to wear their summer uniform. However, nursery children can *choose* to wear either their winter or summer uniform. Many of the nursery activities take place outdoors, so we wish your child to be appropriately dressed for this and, living in England, we can still expect some very cold days in the summer term!



	Boys	Girls
Winter	Blue polo shirt School track suit Trainers	Blue polo shirt School track suit Trainers
Summer	Grey shorts Blue polo shirt Trainers	Check summer dress Trainers

Please remember to label **every single item** of uniform and if your child takes home any items of uniform belonging to somebody else in error, please ensure these are returned at the next available opportunity – many thanks.

We would also like to remind you that shaved/coloured hair patterns and earrings are not permitted.

### Warm Weather

Please apply sun cream to your child's face, neck, arms and legs before bringing them to school on warm days. We are unable to apply sun cream, but we do vigilantly monitor the time the children spend in the sun, ensure they use shaded areas and that they keep well hydrated through the use of their water bottles.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to speak to one of us at the beginning or end of the day or make an appointment through the school office.

Thank you again for your continued support,

Mrs Subebe and Mrs Lawson  
(Nursery class teachers)