

## EYFS Newsletter Spring 1



## Welcome to Foundation Stage

## Welcome back to a new term

We have a busy half term planned with lots of fun and exciting activities planned. Our topics for the next half term will be Winter, Penguins and in Science we will be investigating the properties of ice.

We will also be looking at the celebrations of Shrove Tuesday and Chinese New Year.

In **English** we will be reading Penguin by Polly Dunbar and Polar Bear, Polar Bear by Bill Martin.

In **Phonics** the children are working on phase 1 phonics. Phase 1 phonics is the first stage of the phonics teaching programme. At this stage, the focus is primarily on developing speaking and listening skills. Speaking and listening are an important set of literacy skills that will create the foundation to a lot of your children's further learning.

**Reading** - Please read lots of stories to your child. Reading and sharing stories can: help your child get to know sounds, words and language, and develop early literacy skills. learn to value books and stories. ... help develop your child's brain, ability to focus, concentration, social skills and communication skills.

Mark Making /Writing - This term we will be working really hard on copying patterns and writing some letters in their name. Please encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly when they are colouring and writing.

In Maths we will be concentrating on numbers 1-3 by learning to develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually (subitising). We will also be showing 'finger numbers' up to 5.

If you haven't signed up for Class Dojo please do. This is where you will find key information about what is happening in Nursery.

Don't Forget	Staff Names
<ul> <li>Each child should have a named water bottle containing water (no juice please).</li> <li>A labelled coat every day. Your child will be going outside daily. (If your child brings hats and scarves please name these items as well.)</li> <li>Snack £1 a week payable to the class teacher. If you would like to pay in full for the half term it will be £6.</li> <li>Nursery doors open 8.50.</li> <li>If your child is 15 hours then the morning session runs from 8:50-11:50 and the afternoon session runs from 12:10-3:10. Please can I ask that Nursery children are collected at the end of the day first before collecting any siblings over in school.</li> </ul>	These are the staff that work in Nursery Mrs. Sharples Class Teacher Mrs. Dalgliesh Nursery Teaching Assistant Miss. Boban Teaching Assistant Mrs. White Class Teacher PPA cover

If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs. Sharples.		
Thank you for your continued support.		