

Nursery Newsletter – Spring-1 2018

Welcome back to everyone, we hope you had a celebratory half term holiday and are ready for the busy term ahead.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all so much for your thoughtful and generous gifts and cards at Christmas. Thank you also for your kind donations which helped the children to raise over £35 for Children in Need during Christmas Jumper day.

We are welcoming new children to the nursery this term and would like to thank their parents and carers for making us feel so welcome during home visits. It was lovely to see them relaxed and playing with their toys at home. We have been reading one of Nursery's favourite stories "Owl Babies" to help the children understand that Mummy does come back!

We have set up the role-play area as a vet which has been extremely popular and has allowed children to develop their nurturing skills through sick animals. If anyone has any pet food containers or animal toys that are clean and safe, it would be very much appreciated. The children have also been enjoying listening to stories such as "The Selfish Crocodile", "Perfect Pet", and "Worried Winston". The children have enjoyed making magic potions by mixing concoctions of coloured water, petals, glitter, sugar cubes and so forth. They are very keen to take them home and we would appreciate any recycled small water tight containers you may have that could be used to transport them. This has helped them to practise their understanding of the world. They have also been developing their fine motor skills by labelling them by writing their names on stickers.

There will be a **Shape and Space Stay and Play will be on the 30th January**. We are encouraging as many parents and carers as possible to stay and spend time with their child whilst they enjoy exploring the provision such as building an enclosure for the animals, printing with shapes or playing sorting games.

Cooking and Playdough

It's time to ask for a voluntary contribution of **£3.00** for this **half term** to help us fund the copious amounts of flour and salt we use and the extremely popular cooking sessions on a Thursday.

Volunteers needed...

...to cook with the children on a Thursday. The children love having their parents and carers in to help and share their different family meals. Please speak to one of the staff if you think you can help.

The weather is still cold so don't forget hats, scarves and gloves as the children access the outside every day

From The Nursery Team

