



Thames Class Newsletter

Welcome back to a new half term in Nursery: Thames Class. If you have any questions or problems please don't hesitate to come and see us in Nursery. We appreciate your support and hope together we can support your child in a successful beginning at Sharlston School.

The topic that your child will work on in Nursery this term is-

'How many Nursery Rhymes do you know?'

We will be thinking about the following questions;

What made the little dog laugh?
Humpty Dumpty, why did you fall?
Where are you going, Jack and Jill?
Where did Goosey Gander wander?
What's in your garden, Mary?

Number

This term we will be looking at identifying numerals, counting out amounts to match to a given number and beginning to identify an amount, through counting and recognising arrangements (spot patterns on a dice)

Some ways to help your child include;

- Playing board games where they can count on.
- Sorting their toys and comparing the amounts.
- Finding shapes around your house.

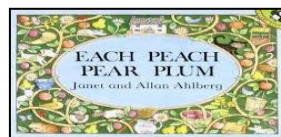
Our KIRF, Key Instant Recall Facts, is recognising numbers to 10. You can help your child with this by looking for numbers around the house or on their way to Nursery.



Our class story this half term is 'Each Peach Pear Plum'.

We will be using this book to identify and name the characters from well-known children's nursery rhyme and fairy tales.

We will also be identifying rhyming words and making story maps to sequence the main events in the nursery rhyme. The children will also be acting out the rhymes and making props to support this.



Physical Development

We will be focusing on fine and gross motor skills particularly mark making, letter formation and name writing.

Please help by encouraging your child as much as possible to form the letters in their name.

In Nursery, we will be using different resources including pencils, chalk and paint brushes. We will also support our gross motor big arm movements through dance and movement activities.



Nursery Rhyme Challenge

We are continuing to undertake the Nursery Rhyme challenge this half term to support our learning.

Each week your child will be bringing home a new nursery rhyme and a number rhyme to learn and to sing along in class. The nursery rhyme cards will be sent home each week on Friday, ready for the following week. Please sign their reading record book each time they practice the rhymes. Five times or more gets them on the star reader board. The children can keep these rhymes at home.



Our Jigsaw topic is 'Healthy Me'.

The areas we will be covering are:

Everybody's Body.

We like to move it move it.

Food Glorious Food.

Sweet Dreams.

Keeping clean.

Stranger Danger.



Clothing

Please name all your child's clothing including coats. Thank you.



Attendance

Although attendance in Nursery is not statutory. We believe that if children are to benefit from the education they receive, good attendance is crucial.

We encourage parents to establish routines and follow school expectations, by attending nursery every day. If your child is ill or has a medical appointment please ring school.

Please check your phone and be aware that if an unknown number comes up it may be school trying to contact you.

Please look on the class notice board, situated in the cloakroom window, for information about weekly activities and other general information.

Miss Lodge and The Nursery Team