

## Don't Forget

- Cooking/sensory activity money of £10 for the term.
- We would appreciate a box of tissues from each child for this term.
- No jewellery except small stud earrings.
- Spare clothes in a named bag to keep in school.
- If your child is unwell, please phone school (02083602149) in the morning or send an email.
- Enfield Borough policy states that children need to stay at home for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.
- Please ensure that you arrive promptly at the beginning of your Nursery session, either 8.30am or 12.30pm.
- Please check Tapestry regularly and upload any photos or videos of your child at home. Also like or comment on photos/observations.
- Nursery email: [nursery@highfield-pri.enfield.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@highfield-pri.enfield.sch.uk).

## Expressive Arts and Design:

We aim to encourage and develop creativity by providing a wide range of opportunities to explore paint techniques, pastel, crayon and collage. Children will have regular opportunities to express themselves using music, dance and role-play.

## Understanding the World:

We will look at changes as they occur within the seasons, and different festivals as they arise. As we observe the children, different topics relating to our world and class will become apparent.

## Dear Parents/ Carers

We would like to wish all our families a very healthy and happy New Year. We are very much looking forward to an exciting Spring term in Nursery.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

The children have now settled into Nursery, and are becoming more independent in all aspects, including putting on their coats and going to the toilet. They have built relationships with both peers and familiar adults. This term we will continue to develop an understanding of boundaries and routines. We will also help the children to be aware of their own feelings, and to find ways of dealing with unfamiliar situations.

## Communication and Language:

We will continue to concentrate on developing:

- Listening skills.
- Communicating clearly with others.
- Speaking in full sentences.
- Using correct vocabulary.

## Physical Development:

Children will have daily access to the outside areas, developing their gross motor skills. Fine motor skills will be developed through a variety of activities, including cutting and sticking, puzzles and construction equipment. We will also be working on children writing their own names, using correct letter formation.

## Literacy:

We will continue to follow Little Wandle Foundations for Phonics, learning a new phoneme (letter sound) each week, and focusing on oral blending and segmenting of words. We will also continue daily Rhyme Time, learning a new nursery rhyme each week.

Our main texts this term will be linked to our Maths curriculum, and will include 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears', 'Where's Spot?', 'Postman Bear', 'The Train Ride', and 'Oliver's Fruit Salad'. We will be encouraging the children to join in with stories, track the text from left to right, and talk about and retell their favourite stories.

Your child will now be able to choose a book to take home each week. We will be providing zippy bags for each child to use as their book bag. **Books will only be changed on Friday.**

We will also be encouraging each child to practise writing their name, using correct letter formation.

## Nursery Curriculum News Spring 2025.

Whole school topic: Creative  
Community.

Value: Resilience.

## Mathematics:

We will be working on a range of concepts, which will be linked to a story, including:

- Subitising (fast recognition of up to 3 objects without having to count them).
- Describing simple positions.
- Explaining and making simple patterns.
- Matching shapes.
- Making collections of large and small objects.