



Ducklings Class Newsletter

November 2021

Welcome back, we hope you have enjoyed your half term and are ready to come back to Nursery, we would love to see all the wonderful things you have been doing at home this week, you can share photos on Tapestry, thank you to those of you that have already shared your half term adventures, we look forward to looking through them with the children.

This half term we will be exploring 'Celebrations' and 'Light and Dark' Each week we will be learning about a different celebration. We will be celebrating 'Bonfire Night', 'Remembrance' and 'Diwali'. Our key texts for the next few weeks will be 'How to catch a star' by Oliver Jefferies, 'Triangle', 'Circle' and 'Square' by Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen. Many of the children will be singing beautiful renditions of 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star' by the end of the week, I'm sure! The children will continue to build upon their listening and attention skills and we are enjoying a variety of letters and sounds activities, linked to Phase 1, Aspect 2 of Letters and Sounds. We are scaffolding shape during the next few weeks and building the vocabulary networks to embed and extend learning related to this.

Christmas may look a little different this year in school due to the ongoing Pandemic, we are working on alternatives to our usual Christmas activities and I will update you as these are decided.

In addition to our daily outdoor provision, we will now have extra outdoor sessions beginning on both Monday Afternoons (Forest School) and Friday Afternoons (Wellbeing Garden), from this week. We would recommend that the children come to school in clothing appropriate for the outdoors on these days (Trousers, Long Sleeved Tops and Sturdy Footwear).

As the weather begins to turn please send your child to school with a named coat every day too. As it is getting colder please send your child with a pair of gloves, ideally attached to string or ribbon within their coats to avoid losing them, a hat and a scarf. Please ensure all clothing is named.

We have accommodated as many increases, reductions and changes in session times as possible. Any further changes will require a half-term's notice and will need to go through the school office.

School Applications: Please apply online for your child's Reception Class Place. If you need support with this please speak to a member of staff. You will need to visit <http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions> , it would be helpful if you could let us know when you have completed this.

Thank you, for your continued support,

The Nursery Team.