



Ducklings Class Newsletter

January 2022

Happy New Year, we hope you have all enjoyed the Christmas break. We would like to thank you for your generosity during the last week of term, the Christmas cards and gifts we received were much appreciated and very kind. As we prepare to begin a new term, we continue to navigate the ongoing pandemic and encourage you all to continue to adhere to the government guidance, to ensure everyone can stay safe and well.

School Applications: This will be the final reminder to apply for school places, for September.

Wednesday 15th January is the deadline to apply online for your child's Reception Class Place. If you need support please speak to a member of staff. You will need to visit <http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions>. Please ensure you put both a first and second choice, many of the Bromsgrove Schools are oversubscribed. Please think carefully about your second choice school to ensure you will be content if your child is not allocated your first choice place.

We are introducing a new topic this half term and the children will be exploring marvellous machines, materials and more linked with citizenship, critical and creative thinking. Our key text for this half term is Rosie Revere Engineer. We will be exploring our global citizenship in relation to materials and waste during this topic. After much time exploring shape, last half term we will be developing numerical confidence and understanding. We will also making STEAM links throughout this half term, building upon our confident and creative critical thinkers (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths).

We are hoping to book a 'Story Train' session at Bromsgrove Library and will be walking the children down to the library as part of their session. We hope this will become a regular part of our ongoing provision, COVID dependent. Once We have the confirmed dates, we will let you know.

Thank you for your ongoing contributions on Tapestry, the children really do enjoy sharing things from home and it often provides prompts for discussion. Lots of the children will make links to familiar areas such as Sander's Park and this often sparks child-initiated conversation which also builds relationships and friendships.

Please ensure that over the next few months your child has a warm winter coat, hat, scarves and gloves. The children will continue to spend time outside, even as the weather gets colder, snow if forecast for Wednesday! Please ensure all clothes are named. Forest School will resume on Monday 10th January, please return waterproof sets and wellies before then.

We are looking forward to seeing you all.

Thank you, for your continued support,

The Nursery Team.