Our Ethos - It takes a whole community to raise a child



What's happening at Nursery School!

Monday 7th March to Friday 11th March 2016

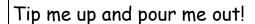
Thank you for supporting the Mothers' day concerts last week.

I am sure that you will agree that the children were amazing! Performing in front of an audience is a very brave thing to do whatever age you are! The ability to hear beats in music is an extremely strong predictor of reading ability. A child who is able to keep a steady beat will naturally be a better reader. Reading is all about breaking down letters, sounds and syllables. Keeping a beat does the same - it teaches us to segment, break down sounds and listen carefully. Beat and music, which go hand in hand, help young children to become better readers. Music teaches our ears to hear and our minds to pattern. You may have recognized one of the songs that the children sang during the concert.

Here are the words if you wish to sing it with your child at home:-

I'm a Little Teapot

I'm a little teapot short and stout. Here's my handle. Here's my spout. When I see the teacups, Hear me shout!





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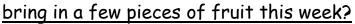
World Book day

Thank you to all of you who joined us for world book day to share a story with your child. It was super to hear and see the children enjoying this experience and to hear some of the stories being read in the children's home languages.

The information regarding reading with your child is on our website if you didn't manage to come along. They can be found under the Home learning section - Things to do at home. Don't forget to go along to W H Smiths to use your child's £1.00 Book Token. The World Book Day Book Tokens are valid until Sunday 27th March 2016.

Fruit for the café

Please can children in Butterflies





The week after will be the turn of Ladybirds and Robins



Sally Harper, the artist, has finished her latest project in school but she will be returning after Easter to undertake a new project with the children. She has asked us if anyone can bring into Nursery school any of the following items:-

Beads or old jewellery that is made of beads, old ceramic cups/plates/dishes/mugs that may be chipped or no longer needed. BUT NOT GLASSWARE.

Any ceramic tiles left over from retiling the kitchen or bathroom, any spare cutlery, glass beads or marbles. If you have something but are not sure if it's what we need just ask the staff to check.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will be taking place from Wednesday 16th March.

Please sign up for an appointment on the sheets in the corridor.

This is a great opportunity for you to come along and find out how your child is doing in Nursery school and to share any concerns you may have with the keyworker.

Advanced notice

Easter Holidays

The last day of the Spring term will be Thursday 24th March.

School is <u>closed</u> to all children from Friday 25th March to Monday 11th April.

Monday 11th April is a staff training day and the Nursery school is closed to children.

Wednesday 20th April Trip to Ash End Farm

<u>Thursday 5th May</u> Nursery <u>school will be closed</u> for the Local Elections and West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner election will take place and the Nursery school will be closed.

<u>Wednesday 25th May</u> Nursery <u>school will be closed</u> for induction sessions for new children starting with us in September 2015.

School Telephone Number to report lateness or absences:- 0121 675 3408

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