

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



### What's happening at Nursery School !

Monday 14th March to Friday 18th March 2016

This half term is a very busy one and this week Juliet Fry a teacher and actor from the Birmingham Repertory Theatre is back in Nursery school undertaking some work with the children which involves them in story telling through imaginative play and role play. This type of activity is a really good way of developing children's language as well as their confidence. It is a really important skill to have in preparation for writing - children need to have a good imagination to help with writing stories and also with thinking creatively and problem solving.

We are beginning to talk to the children all about growing and planting and really need your help. If you are able to donate a packet of seeds or some plants that can be used in the "allotment" area in Nursery school we would be really grateful for your contributions. We also need volunteers who have green fingers to come in and support the children with getting the flower beds and containers ready. Please let us know if you are able to give up some of your valuable time to help.

Several children last week were awarded with a learning dinosaur certificate. Well done! These are awarded when staff notice the children showing some good learning behaviours like the dinosaurs on display in Nursery school:-

**Tryaraptor**- Keeps on trying! **Achievosaurus**- works hard and solves problems!

**Helpasaurus**- helps others to learn! **Listenasaurus**- listens carefully!

**Exploraptor**- explores and finds out things! **Thinkasaurus**- Good thinking!

**Talkaraptor**- uses their words!! **Askaraptor**- asks lots of questions!

#### Advanced notice

We have been notified that we will be a polling station for the EU referendum on Thursday 23rd June and so the Nursery school will be closed that day for all children.



## Fruit for the café



Please can children in Ladybirds and Robins

bring in a few pieces of fruit this week?



The week after will be the turn of Squirrels and Owls



### Spare clothes needed!!

If you have any spare socks, underwear or trousers that your older children have grown out of we really need them please.

We have run out of spare clothes for changing children when they have had accidents!

### NURSERY PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2016

If you have a child or know a friend whose child who will be three after 31st August 2016 then please let them know that their child will be eligible for a 15 hour Nursery place. Please come along and register for a place. Bring your child's birth certificate and proof of your address.

Please ask at reception for more information.

### Parent Consultations - from Wednesday 16th March

Wednesday 16th March - Ladybirds and Robin

Thursday 17th March - Owls and Butterflies (end of week)

Friday 18th March - Rabbits

Monday 21st March - Hedgehogs

Tuesday 22nd March - Squirrels and Butterflies (beg of week)

Wednesday 23rd March - Caterpillars

Thursday 24th March - Woodpeckers

### Internet Safety sessions for parents

Tuesday 12th April at 1.30pm

OR

Thursday 21st April at 8.45am

We are holding two parent information sessions all about keeping you and your children safe on the internet.

More information will follow.

### ASH END FARM

Please remember to pay for your child's trip to Ash End Farm as soon as possible.

We may not be able to go if we do not have enough parent volunteers and payments for this really valuable educational visit so please sign up to join us. You can pay a small amount each week using a savings card - ask at reception for a card and envelopes.

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

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