

What's happening at Nursery!

11th May to 15th May 2015

Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us last week on our Big Thinking workshops.

The children were amazing - they showed how much they enjoy being challenged in their thinking and learning. The activities that were available were all designed to challenge the children's thinking and encourage them to solve problems and think about how to do things by themselves. The Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum for children aged under five years old includes guidance about how young children learn called the Characteristics of Effective Learning. One of these three characteristics is all about creating and thinking critically. In Nursery school we help children to show how they can do this by providing them with fun and exciting opportunities to show that they:-

Have their own ideas - think of ideas and find ways to solve problems, find new ways to do things

Make links - notice patterns in their experiences, make predictions and test ideas

Choose ways to do things - plan, make decisions about how to approach a task, reflect on how things are going and change strategies.

Children who show these characteristics will be really successful learners so it is really important that the adults around them at Nursery school and at home allow them the chance to show that they can do things all by themselves (with a little help when needed!)

If you attended a workshop please remember to add a comment to your child's online learning journey.

REMINDER

<u>Internet safety for parents - sessions taking place this week on</u>

<u>Tuesday 12th May 9.00am - 10.00am and Friday 15th May 1.30pm - 2.30pm</u>

Workshops for parents

<u>Chatter matters workshops</u> - all about supporting your child's speech, language and communication. 11th May and 13th May - 9.00am to 11.00am or Thursday 2nd July 9.00am - 11.00am and Friday 3rd July 12.30 to 2.30pm. (Each course is made up of two sessions)

<u>Fun with numbers workshops</u> - These four sessions are all about how to support your child's Mathematical development. Information session 1st June and other sessions 8th, 15th and 22nd June 2015.

Look out for the fliers giving you more details. Please book with reception.



Safe in the Sun.

Hopefully we should start to get some better weather this month.

Your child will need a sun hat, sun cream (named and given to their key worker), and clothes to cover their shoulders. They still need to wear shoes or trainers that protect their feet and are safe for robust physical activity.

No flip flops or sandals please!

Fruit for the café

Please can children in

Hedgehogs and Woodpeckers

bring in a few pieces of fruit this week to share in the café?

Next week it will be the turn of Ladybirds and Robins



<u>Wednesday 13th May</u> - Photographer in school. Family photos at 8.30am and 11.45am- Please book at reception.

<u>Wednesday 20th May</u> Nursery school will be **closed** for induction sessions for the new children starting with us in September 2015.

We break up for the half term holiday on <u>Friday 22nd May</u> - Nursery School will be closed from **Monday 25th May until Friday 29th May 2015**