



What's happening at Nursery School ?



Monday 15th January to Friday 19th January 2018

Happy New Year to you all.

Thank you to those parents who were able to come and support our visit to the Town hall to see "The Stickman" - the story by Julia Donaldson. If you were not able to attend then there are lots of videos of the story on YouTube so you can look at it with your child at home. Some of you may have seen the Highway rat on the television over the holidays which was written by Julia Donaldson too. Her stories are excellent for young children as they have lots of rhymes and repetition. The children have all come back into Nursery School very eager to get learning straight away. Playing outside is still very popular despite the inclement weather- please ensure your child has a coat with them every day and a hat too!! Please remember to put their names in their coats and hats. No scarves please as these could be dangerous when the children are playing outside.

Many of you will have heard about the new Smart Snacking guidance for young children. Change4life have a Food Scanner app for your phone that brings food labels to life and shows you just what's inside popular snacks. The advice is that your children should have "2 snacks MAX". That means only 2 packaged snacks each day.

If you look at the change4life website there are lots of ideas for 100 calorie snacks.

We have a new member of staff this term - Miss Hina Ashraf - who is working with us as a play worker supporting children's learning throughout the Nursery school.

Please don't forget to phone us to tell us if your child is going to be absent.

The office is open from 7.30am until 5.30pm

The school telephone number is 0121 675 3408 Add it to your phone contacts.

Snacks and fruit or vegetables for the café

In order that we can provide healthy snacks each day in the cafe for the children please can children in the **Caterpillars group** bring in a few pieces of fruit, some vegetables or some breadsticks or crackers this week? If you are not sure what to bring please ask your child's keyworker. Next week it will be the turn of the **Rabbits group**



Dates for your diary

Monday 19th February 2018 to Friday 23th February 2018 - half term holiday

Friday 30th March 2018 to Friday 13th April 2018 - Nursery school closed for Easter holidays

Tuesday 30th January and Thursday 1st February - Big Thinking Workshops - more information will be sent out later.

Wednesday 14th February - Visit from the Life Education caravan. More information will be sent out later.

We also wish to give you advance notice of 2 days when the Nursery school is closed to all children:-

Wednesday 2nd May - Nursery School is closed for our Induction day for children starting in September 2018

Thursday 3rd May- Nursery school is closed for the Birmingham City Council local elections as the Nursery school is used as a polling station.

Reception Class online applications for September 2018

If your child is due to start a reception class in September then you should have now applied on line. You will be contacted by email with details of which infant, junior or primary school has been offered to your child. Offer day emails are sent on Monday 16 April 2018. You must accept the place before 5 May 2018.