

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



What's happening at Nursery School !

Monday 3rd April to Friday 7th April 2017

The children have been very busy learning in all areas of the Nursery school. Outside they have been interested in planting bulbs and seeds in planters in the playground and on the field. Gardening teaches the children lots of things about the natural world and helps them to learn new vocabulary and begin to have some scientific understanding of how things grow and what plants need to thrive. We would be really grateful for any donations of seeds, seedlings or plants that we could use in Nursery school. Please hand these to your child's keyworker.

There has also been a lot of interest in photography. Some children have been using an application on the Nursery school iPads that creates different photographic effects. The children have been really interested in how the application changes the colours of their photographs.

The interest in technology has also been supported by work in Oak room with the Beebots. These simple programmable toys are a fantastic fun way for children to learn sequencing, estimation and problem solving as well as being great fun.

Outside there have been some amazing constructions being built. The children have been making constructions to support pipes and guttering for balls to roll down. This activity has challenged children to problem solve and work together collaboratively on projects.

Several children have also been busy making a sculpture with our artist. They have been choosing materials to add to the sculpture and trying out different techniques for joining materials to the sculpture. This activity has helped children develop their fine motor skills and is helping them to think creatively and problem solve.

Inside the children have been challenging their physical skills using the physio balls. They have been rolling and bouncing using their arm, leg, back and stomach muscles as they play and demonstrating great physical abilities!

Please take a look at Tapestry for information about what your child has been taking part in during their time at Nursery school.

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

**Childcare
Choices**

Don't forget to check the new website for your childcare options. You can sign up for an email notification when the 30 hour checker is online and live.

School telephone number:- 0121 675 3408

Please don't forget to bring snacks and fruit or vegetables for the café

Please can children in the Rabbits bring in a few pieces of fruit, some vegetables or some breadsticks or crackers for the café this week?

After the Easter holidays it will be the turn of the

Hedgehogs and Woodpeckers.



Reminder!

Easter Holidays The last day of the Spring term will be Friday 7th April. Monday 24th April is a staff training day and the Nursery school is closed to children. Nursery school will reopen for children on Tuesday 25th April.

Parent Teachers Association (PTA)

We are hoping to start a Parent Teachers Association (PTA) or "Friends of Featherstone" group to focus on fundraising for the Nursery school. We are hoping that some parents would like to be part of the committee that makes decisions about fund raising opportunities for the Nursery school.

Please let your keyworker or the deputy Head, Sue Stevens, know if this is something you would like to be part of or if you have any fundraising suggestions.



For the safety of your child, their friends, and the local community we request that you park safely, legally and considerately.

This means not parking on single or double yellow lines; not double parking; not stopping or dropping off on the Nursery School Keep Clear yellow zig zags; not parking on corners or junctions near the Nursery school entrance; not blocking driveways.

Please do not unload your child from the car door onto the road!

Don't rush your journey to and from school, the entrance to the school is busy and requires your full attention. **PARK SAFELY! PARK LEGALLY!**

**School Term dates are on our website:-
www.featherstonenurseryschool.org.uk**