

CLASS NEWSLETTER

Spring Term

Welcome back, we hope that you had a lovely Christmas break. We would like to thank you for the kind gifts. This term brings lots of positive experiences and we are looking forward to all the exciting things ahead. Our topics for the term will be 'Superheroes' and 'People that help us'. During the upcoming weeks we will be reading various books by our class author Sue Hendra.

Our main areas of focus will be Communication and Language; this continues to be an area for development for all ages nationwide. We encourage you to continue to read to your children daily, as well as taking the time to talk during play and at mealtimes. Can you please use the home reader book to log when you have read with your child.



This site has lots of ideas for activities that encourage talk
People.

Tiny Happy

Key information

- **£1 is collected on a Friday** to cover your child's daily snacks. We are encouraging children to try various types of foods and to use words to talk about their likes and dislikes.
- **It is really important that all children's belongings have their name on (cardigans, bags, water bottles, lunch boxes) .**
- All children should bring a water bottle to school with **Water** in.
- ALL children should bring a change of clothes daily.
- Please bring book bags to school daily.
- Children will access our School Library on a **Friday** where they will listen to different stories and swap their reading books.

- Please update your child's Evidence Me regularly to inform us of their likes and interests from home. We find that these also enhance communication with peers and adults, encouraging them to have more detailed conversations.

Communication and Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening to stories by our class author Sue Hendra, including Super Tato • Modelling and encouraging expressive language in all areas of provision. • Encouraging children to become good listeners and ask questions to their peers.
Physical Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Throwing and catching activities with large and smaller balls • Mark making with various tools • Developing self-care and independence
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key group times are planned to discuss children's like and dislikes, news and develop questioning and listening in a small group • Activities that encourage children to talk about their feelings and to understand how others may be feeling
Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New starters will begin phonics activities based on listening and attention for example listening and sound discrimination games, Nursery Rhymes and musical instruments. • Other Phonics groups children will be accessing the Read Write Inc program listening for beginning sounds in words and recognising what these letters look like. Some children will be trying to blend CVC words.
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognising and ordering numerals • Using language to describe and compare quantities, weight and capacity. • Counting with one to one correspondence • Describing quantities and finding one more and one less than a number. • Naming and identifying 2D shapes.
Understanding the World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand that we all have differences and similarities. • Exploring various technologies including iPads and torches.
Expressive Art and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playing different musical instruments and singing lots of topic related songs • Superhero role play. Designing a superhero.

Best Wishes

Nursery Team