



Early Years Newsletter

Friday 24th February

With Miss Smith and Mr Bradman

This week we have started our new story of the 3 Little Pigs. We have been telling the story to each other and putting actions to the story. The children have enjoyed building houses out of straw, bricks and sticks. We have been investigating which materials blow when we huff and puff and using hairdryers to blow vehicles to see which one travels the furthest. The children have particularly enjoyed making bread into pigs and making their own pigs out of clay. In maths this week we have been learning about shapes, we have described them and written about them, we have also used shapes to make houses and pigs. Congratulations to Emilia-Rose and Isaac for achieving the behaviour award.

Next week

We will be continuing our work on the 3 Little Pigs and we will be taking part in sports week. All next week we will be taking part in a variety of different activities and looking at healthy eating. If your child does not have a PE kit in school please bring one in for Monday ready to take part.

Forest School

Please continue to send children in with warm clothes for the forest. The children will need layers, gloves, hats and scarves.

With Mrs Bendall

We have had lots of new experiences this week. On Tuesday, a Yoga teacher came in for the first of a series of short sessions with us in the Hall. The children absolutely loved doing the movements, especially bunny hops! We also had our photos taken for our class photo, sitting in front of a huge, white sheet. We were so proud of how confidently the children took part in both of these events. Our new camera has been very popular recently and our budding photographers have taken lots of photos already, some with special effects! Please see some examples on the Nursery homepage. Many of our activities have been based on the children's interest in building. This has included a Small World building site, a dice game involving building towers and some very sticky construction with spaghetti and marshmallows. In Phonics, we have been listening for the initial sounds in our names and looking at the shapes of our mouths, in mirrors, when we're saying them.

Notices

- Grandparents' Day is coming up soon – Thursday 16th March from 9 – 10.15am, when you will be welcome to join your Grandchild in the classroom.
- Bright Sparks: We would be very grateful if you could share with us any amazing achievements that your child has made out of school, so that we can celebrate them in school, too.
- If you have any uniform, pants, socks etc. at home that your child has borrowed from school could you please return them as soon as possible as we are running low.
- Please ensure all PE kit and school uniform is named with the correct name. We have numerous items of clothing in the classroom that are not named and are in our lost property. Please come and have a look if you are missing any items.
- Please continue to write in your child's reading record, once you have heard them read.

The Reception gate will be locked at 8:45am in line with the rest of the school. If you arrive after this time please go to the office. Thank you.

Important Dates

Friday 10th March – World Book day at Overstone

16th March – Grandparents' day from 9 - 10.15am

31st March – Break up for Easter

18th April – Return to school

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us,
from all of the **Early Years' Team.**