

Nursery Newsletter 5 - Thursday 3rd October 2019

Dear Families,

Another great week at Little Harriers!

This week, the children have been enjoying building houses for the Three Little Pigs, making pine cone pies in the outdoor area and talking about their families amongst other things. Nursery has been a hive of activity!

The children have also been developing their love of nursery rhymes following our Talk for Writing approach which aims to underpin their development as creative and independent writers as they progress through their school life. On Wednesday, we shared our presentation of Incy Wincy Spider with Mrs Hopkins and Miss Jack and have started to think about how we might innovate the rhyme, for example by changing the main character.

The children are having lots of fun in the outdoor area, in spite of the colder weather. Can we please remind you to make sure that your child comes with a coat each day (along with hats and gloves as the weather changes) so that we can all enjoy this valuable play opportunity without feeling the chill!

One of our favourite activities outdoors is exploring the loose parts resources, such as pipes and crates which the children love to construct with. We are keen to develop this area and introduce lots of natural resources to support this play and creativity. Lots of toys have a very definite purpose to the children, but loose parts and other household objects really help children to become inventive and imaginative explorers as they turn a bowl into a drum or a pan into a hat. Please think about us should you ever have cause to throw such things away at home.

Some ideas include:

Conkers	scraps of material	plastic bottles
Gift bags	large stones	crisp tubes (Pringles etc)
Pine cones	kitchen roll tubes	
Pans	buttons	
Tubing	old rolls of wallpaper	
Wool	kitchen utensils	
Wooden boxes/crates	pegs	

Thank you!

Hopefully, you have all been able to successfully log on to Tapestry now and see some of the amazing things that the children have been doing during their first month at Little Harriers. We are already seeing some wonderful contributions from parents- Niamh and Saoirse have loved looking at photographs of their weekend in Blackpool and it was great to see what Birdie and Lij got up to last weekend! Thank you so much for adding to your child/ren's nursery experience in this way.

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Now to this week's Little Harrier. Always ready to learn, join in and support friends, this week Birdie will be going to spend the long weekend with Hooriya! We know he will be well looked after as Hooriya is a superstar when it comes to caring for our toys. Have fun!

Please remember that Little Harriers is closed tomorrow (**Friday 4th October**) as school is closed to the children due to an Inset day. We can't wait to see you again on Monday for another busy week!

Mrs Blackshaw and Mrs Buckley



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