

Nursery Newsletter 22- 28th February 2020

Dear Families,

It has been a very wet and windy few weeks with snow forecast at time of writing this newsletter but it has not dampened the spirits of our hardy Little Harriers! Thanks to all for your fantastic contributions on Tapestry, we can see that Storm Dennis did not get in the way of a fun half term last week and everyone has certainly come back to Nursery fully recharged and raring to go.

Thank you for sharing your photos of the beanstalks that the children took home. They have really grown! Mr Parker may have some competition in the gardening department there. 😊

In Talk for Writing this week, we have been learning the rhyme 'Itsy Bitsy Monkey' and learning about the dangers of climbing a coconut tree! The children have put together actions already to support a retelling of the rhyme. They were also quite fascinated by the coconut that Mrs Blackshaw brought into Nursery. We had lots of great words to describe how it looked and felt including 'hairy' and 'sloshy' when the children shook it and heard the milk inside. Harris thought about the shape of the coconut too and decided that it was an 'oval'- fabulous! Everyone also had a chance to taste both the milk and the coconut itself. It wasn't too popular but well done to everyone for having a try.

In Maths, the children have been using their developing number knowledge to 'count on' as we put some wild animals back in their cages one by one. They have also used Numicon to look at different ways to use combinations of two or more shapes to represent a number. There will be some great examples coming up soon on Tapestry!

The afternoon Harriers enjoyed making some paper pancakes with Mrs Buckley on Tuesday afternoon, before taking them out for a pancake race. Other activities this week have included using wax crayons and a variety of materials for rubbings to create different animal skins, exploring the zoo in our role play area and trying to identify different animals just by listening to their sounds. It's been a busy week indeed!

You may recall that Birdie winged his way to Madeleine's house for the half term holiday. Unfortunately, Madeleine has been poorly this week, so Birdie is still with her at the moment. However, we hope that they will both return to Nursery next week, fit and well and with Birdie ready to take flight again next Friday.

Dates for your diary:

World Book Day Thursday 5th March - World Book Day- dress as a character from your favourite book! Please try and ensure that any costumes are easy for your child/ren to manage when using the toilet!

Sports Relief is the week beginning the 9th March and we are going to be taking part in the Sports Relief Mile, running and walking around our school field on the Friday. Sponsor forms have come home for you to sponsor this great event that not only encourages children to exercise but also raises money for this brilliant charity. Please collect what you can, however big or small and return on **Friday 13th March** so that we can send the money off to Sports Relief. Children can wear sports kits on this day too.

Mums' Stay & Play Session Wednesday 18th March- 8.45-10.00am

Wishing you a great weekend,

Mrs Blackshaw and Mrs Buckley 😊

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Home learning - please share any photos you may have of your children with their pets, or perhaps on a visit to the zoo. Alternatively, they may like to share their own picture of their favourite animal. Thank you!

Pancake Race!



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