



Apple Class Nursery News



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Welcome to the Spring 2 Nursery Newsletter. I hope you are all well rested and are ready for a busy half term with lots to learn before Easter. Our main topic for this half term is people that help us (police, fire fighters, doctors, vets etc). If you're in a profession that fits this topic and would like to come into school to talk to the children about your job, please let me know- we would love to hear from you! Alternatively, if you do not wish to come into school but can provide any resources that the children can use we would welcome those instead- Thank you!

Nut Free School

Swansfield Park are now officially a nut free school and we would like to remind parents (particularly those bringing in packed lunches) that products containing nuts (e.g. peanut butter/chocolate spread) are not allowed. **If you wish to donate any junk modelling materials, they cannot say "may contain nuts"**.

Full-Time School Places

You should soon receive notification from Northumberland County Council to let you know whether you have been given a reception place at our school. Please note, if you did not apply within the window you will not receive notification! If you don't receive notification, or have any issues or concerns please come and see me and I will try my best to help you.

Illness

As most of you know, lots of children have been off poorly recently and the bugs have spread extremely quickly. Can I please remind parents that if your child is poorly, the best place for them is to be at home resting (so they can recover and no germs are passed on). **If your child is sick, they should be off school for a minimum of 48 hours from when they were last sick.**

Shared Learning 4

This half term we will be talking about the children's love of books (with links to World Book Day) and we would like your child to draw a picture of their favourite book/character so we can make a display. We would appreciate as many responses as possible as we feel it is important for children to associate learning not just with school, but home as well. I really appreciate the fantastic response to the previous shared learning tasks!

School Uniform

At the moment there are lots of cardigans, jumpers, hats and gloves going missing. A lot of these items are WITHOUT names. Unfortunately, if they have no name written inside this makes it a lot harder for staff to track them down. If you take someone else's belongings home by mistake, please return them to school asap. Thank you!

World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 5th March. Please come dressed as your favourite story character with a £1 donation. This could be the perfect time to bring in your shared learning task (see above).

IMPORTANT- Please remember that whether you are waiting to collect your child or visiting school for other reasons we have a no mobile phone policy. Please remember not to use your mobile phone when you are on school site.

Learning Journals

A huge thank you to the parents that are adding photographs onto their child's learning journal. By doing this you are allowing staff to build up a bigger picture of your child's knowledge and understanding. If you would like further guidance as to what you should be adding, please speak to a member of staff.

If you are still having trouble viewing your child's journal, please let a member of staff know.

Blog

Another reminder to parents that I write a blog on the school website (under class pages) where I share photos and information about what we have been up to in Nursery, please take a read!

Spring 2 General Aims — N1 (January children)

- Turn-taking and sharing
- Developing fine motor skills
- Playing with others
- Listening to others
- Sounds all around us
- Talking in full sentences
- Changing independently

Spring 2 General Aims — N2 (September children)

- Developing concentration and perseverance
- Developing fine motor skills
- Using a range of tools safely
- Listening to others
- Rhyme and alliteration
- Independent name writing
- Story telling
- Putting things away after we have finished using them (still!)

Diary Dates

- Thursday 5th March World book day- dress up as your favourite story character for £1 donation
- Friday 13th March Sport relief – information to follow
- Friday 3rd April School closes for Easter holidays
- Monday 20th April School reopens

PLEASE REMEMBER TO NAME ALL UNIFORM (INCLUDING SHOES), WATER BOTTLES, HATS, GLOVES, SCARVES ETC.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in speaking to one of the staff.

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