



**Bright Stars**

**Newsletter**

**Nursery Photograph Day**

Nursery will be holding its photograph day on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 9am, we will be sending out a separate consent letter. If it is not your child's usual nursery day but you wish for your child's photograph to be taken then please speak to a member of the team.

**Easter Holidays**

We break up for the Easter holidays on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 1.30pm and we return on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Hope you all have a lovely Easter.

**Spring**

During the next term we will be looking at Spring; we will be developing a vegetable patch in the outdoor area. We will be encouraging the children to water the vegetables, and talk about how they grow. The children can then harvest them and eat them as part of their snack.

**Maths Challenge Questions**

We will be introducing maths challenge cards as part of our home school learning. The cards are short activity ideas that can fit into your day and will help your child see maths as fun. You can repeat each activity as many times as your child wants to. Feel free to change the ideas to suit your child's interests, what you have in your house and their current level of development. If you wish to send in photographs or drawings your child has made completing the challenge we will be producing a Maths Challenge floor book.

**Nursery toys**

Please can we ask that if your child comes home with any nursery toys that you bring them back straight away. Over the last term we have noticed different pieces of resources going missing and we have found different pieces in the children's bags or pockets. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Nursery uniforms**

Please can you make sure you are labelling your child's uniform as different pieces of clothing are going missing. If your child comes home with a piece of uniform that does not belong to them please return it to nursery as it will belong to somebody, thank you.

**Home school books**

If you still have your child's home school book (orange book) at home, please could you return it to nursery so your child can share it with their friends. We will be sending them home again for the Easter holidays, but if you wish to take them sooner please ask a member of the team.

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**We have enjoyed this term:**

- Looking at the chicks and frogs spawn
- Forest schooling
- Visits from the fire brigade, police, dentist talk
- Looking at healthy eating and making fruit smoothies
- Celebrated St David's Day and St Patricks Day
- Celebrated world book day; coming into nursery in our pyjamas and reading lots of stories.

**Songs we have enjoyed singing:**

- **Days of the week song (sang to the tune of the Adams Family)**

Its Sunday and its Monday,  
Its Tuesday and its Wednesday,  
Its Thursday and its Friday  
And then its Saturday.

Days of the week (clap, clap) Days of the week (clap, clap)  
Days of the week, days of the week, days of the week (clap, clap)



- **Dig dig song**

I dig my garden I dig, dig, dig  
I dig my garden I dig it deep.

I plant my seeds and I watch them grow,  
And along comes a rabbit and oh no.

He eats my carrots munch, munch, munch  
He eats my carrots, he eats the whole bunch.

I go to window and a shoo, shoo, shoo  
But the rabbit comes back, what can I do  
But the rabbit comes back, what can I do.

**Books we have enjoyed reading:**

- Shark in the park
- 5 little ducks
- Hungry Harry
- Spider sandwich

**Things to do at home:**

- Dough disco (you tube)
- Talk about spring time
- Activities to promote fine motor skills such as threading
  - Sing along to Jolly Phonics (you tube)

**Parent reminder**

Please can we remind parents/carers where possible to send the children into nursery with velcro shoes. This is to encourage the children's independence when dressing and undressing from the outdoors.