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Class newsletter Summer Term 2018

Nursery

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Our school topic focus this term is all about the **History of Hackney**.

We are learning about our families, our homes, old buildings, the roads, the railways, the canal, the market and the parks in our local area.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We are learning how to play sociably, interact verbally, and use appropriate language.

We are helping the new children to settle and learn the class rules and routines.

Literacy, Communication and Language

We are learning to talk confidently and extend our vocabulary enjoying information books, stories, songs and poems.

We will be focusing on activities to promote speaking and listening skills and teaching phonological awareness through rhythm and rhyme, and alliteration.

We will read stories with buildings in them, such as 'The three little pigs'.

We will continue to learn the letters of the alphabet and the sounds letters make.

We will continue to learn to write our names and the letters of the alphabet.

Mathematics

We are learning to develop an understanding of maths through stories, songs, games and imaginative play; and to use the vocabulary involved in adding and subtracting. We will find one more or one less from a group of ten objects.

We are learning to recognise and name numbers to at least 10. To use maths words such as 'more than' or 'less than', 'colour names', and to describe and name 2d and 3d shapes.

We are learning to use mathematical language such as big and small, tall / short, longer / shorter, heavier / lighter, etc.

We are learning to use language to describe and name simple shapes that we can see in buildings. We will use shapes to draw and make buildings.





Understanding the World

- We are learning** how to care for living things and the environment, such as recycling rubbish, growing plants and observing mini beasts.
- We will learn** about the lifecycle of a bean and seed.
- We will be encouraged** to explore and to ask questions.
- We are learning** about the history in our locality.
- We are learning** how we can use a simple map.
- We will find out about materials**, how we can recycle the materials we use and identify the materials used in buildings.
- We are learning** about religious buildings in different cultures and beliefs.
- We are learning to** use the computer to find out about the world around us and use cameras to observe and record the local environment.

Physical Development

- We are learning to** move with control and coordination, with confidence, imagination and in safety.
- We are learning to** use a range of small and large equipment and show increasing control over an object by touching, pushing, patting, throwing, catching or kicking it.
- We are learning to** use a range of tools and equipment safely.
- We will learn** how to hold and use a pencil comfortably.
- We will learn** how to cut with scissors.
- We will learn** how to point, click and drag with the computer 'mouse'



Expressive Art and Design

- We are learning to** explore and investigate different natural and made materials. We will be using different materials, exploring colours and shapes to create artwork, including 3D buildings and a large 3d map.
- We are learning** new songs and making music using percussion instruments.
- We will act out** and make our own stories, make music and dance to music.
- We will use role play** to create real and imaginary situations. Our role play areas will be a home, a construction site, a train station, a shop and a market stall.

Clothes

As the weather warms up and the sun comes out your child will need a **sun hat or cap** for this summer term. **Please send your child to school with sunscreen on too.**

Even though your child will wear an apron for creative and water activities, please remember that your child may get messy clothes at Nursery.

Please leave a **change of clothes** for your child at school for any accidents, or if they wet their clothes in the water tray. These bags are kept on their coat hooks. Please replenish them with clean clothes when necessary.

Please remember to name your child's jumpers, cardigans, jackets, coats and hats.



You can help your child by talking to them about what they have been doing at nursery during the day.

Reading:

It is really important that you try and read with your child on a daily basis. Book sharing encourages a curiosity about life and an eagerness to learn. Research suggests that children introduced to books at an early age, start school with an advantage that can last throughout their life. On Fridays you can take home a nursery book to read to your child. You can join Dalston library for free and borrow books. You can also find books on websites like www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home



Punctuality:

Nursery Class starts in the morning at 8.55am, and in the afternoons at 1.00pm. Please make sure that your child arrives on time so that they do not miss the whole class teaching session.

We also welcome Ms Cynthia Palmer to the Nursery Team. Ms Palmer, will be supporting in the Nursery as Ms Yetunde is off on leave.

Thank you in anticipation of your support this term.