



Drew Primary School

Nursery Newsletter- Summer Term

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Summer term...keep up learning and having fun!

Summer term has started and we are all excited to come back from our Easter break in this lovely weather; full of enthusiasm and ready to learn! We are really happy to see how well the children have settled in school and all your enthusiasm and support to ensure that every day children come to school ready to learn and gain new experiences. We would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** for all your help and support as well as for your interest and participation in all the events that we have organised so far and all the routines that we have put in place to reinforce children's learning. We look forward to sharing with you a lot more experiences during our new learning journey this term with a range of trips and visitors!

Some reminders...

Timings:

Just a kind reminder that the school gate opens at **8.45am/12:15 pm** and closes promptly at **8.55am/12:15 pm**. If you arrive after this time, please enter the school using the main entrance; your child will also receive a late mark in the register.

At the end of the school day, the gate is open between **11.35 am** and **11.45am** in the morning **3.05pm** and **3.15pm** in the afternoon. Nursery children finish school at **3.15pm**; we appreciate you are here by **3.15pm** to collect your child on time.

After 3:15 pm. your children will be marked as late and will be collected from the office.

If you are running late please phone the Office so that we can reassure your child that you are on the way. If someone different is picking up your child please let us know; we are unable to dismiss children with unauthorised adults.

Labelling clothes:

Please ensure that your child's uniform, spare clothes, jacket, water bottle (if any) and school bag have been labelled; this helps us support your child in their independence and prevents lost property and missing items at the end of the day.

School Uniform:

Thank you for ensuring that your child comes to school in the correct uniform every day. Our school uniform consists of a white shirt and blue jumper with grey trousers or skirt/dress and plain black shoes/trainers. Unless worn for religious reasons, jewellery is **NOT** permitted in school due to health and safety reasons. Thank you for your cooperation.

Weather:

Now that the weather is getting warmer we strongly recommend that children bring their water bottle (labelled) and hat at school and that you apply sun cream before children come to school please to ensure that children enjoy outdoor activities safely and stay hydrated. Kind reminder that sandals are not allowed at school for safety reasons.

Trips/Library

We are arranging our first visit to the local library. Once you receive the form for the library, can you please fill it in and return it at your earliest convenience? After that you will receive a card for your personal use at the library with the children. We are also organising a range of visitors and trips that are related to our learning this term. You will be informed about the details of these events when details are finalised; your participation would be really appreciated.

Homework

A kind reminder that the projects for this half term are due by Monday 21st May. We look forward to seeing your jungle animals and reading your fact files. We will be making our class 'Jungle Book' with all your favourite jungle animals.

Our Topics

Summer 1: The Jungle. This half term our focus is on developing an understanding of the world and learning about animals in the Jungle. We are learning to comment and ask questions about aspects of the world and we will talk about some of the things we have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects. We will also learn to show care and concern for living things and the environment. Our core books this half term are:

Rumble in the Jungle by Giles Andreae, The Animal Boogie by Debbie Harter and Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell

Summer 2: Mini beasts. Next half term our focus is on developing an understanding of the world and learning about different mini beasts. We will be learning about looking after animals and the environment and we will be observing and discussing about the insects we observe in the environment. Our core books next half term will be:

Mad About Mini Beasts by Giles Andreae,

Mini Beast Bop by Tony Mitton, Guy Parker-Rees

Bad Tempered Ladybird by Eric Carle

Aargh Spider by Lydia Monks

Honeybee's Busy Day by Richard Fowler

RWI

Our RWI sessions in Nursery have been a great success! Children massively enjoy our sessions and they have hugely benefitted so far. A huge thanks to all parents for your support; practising our sounds at home is very important for children to consolidate this knowledge! We have nearly finished our Set 1 sounds so we will start revising and gap filling soon as well as blending our sounds to start reading simple words.

Implementing RWI to our timetable we have introduced a range of activities that will engage children to the amazing learning of sounds and word formation.

A kind reminder that we ONLY have Show and Tell on Fridays and it is connected to the sounds that we are learning Each Friday children need to bring a toy from home that starts with one of the three sounds that we will be learning that week. You will be updated on a weekly basis about our new sounds. Please remember that we are learning the sound of the letter rather than the name of the letter. So, for example, for the letter 'a' the children could bring in an apple but not an aeroplane.

Once again thank you for your continuous support. Together we can make a huge difference to the children's learning.

Kind regards

The Nursery Team