

Friday 10th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year. I hope everyone had a fabulous Christmas holiday. The children have all settled back into nursery really well and are enjoying playing and exploring with their peers. This term we are focusing on independence skills, getting those children starting Reception class in September ready for school. For example, hanging their own coats up, organising their drink and bags and being responsible for their own resources.

This term we will continue to learn about wintertime. We will also be thinking about different types of transport and our stories will include The Train Ride, Whatever Next, Mr Gumpy's Car and Don't Talk to the Bus Driver.

We have started this week with Duck in the Truck, the story of Duck who goes on a journey in his truck and gets stuck. This story has lots of rhyming words - words that have a different starting sound, but the same end sound. Eg frog and log. Our rhyme this week was Twinkle Twinkle Chocolate bar. Our word of the week is car.

Next week our story is Mr Gumpy's Car. Mr Gumpy and his friends all go for a drive. But when it starts to rain and the car gets stuck in the mud, no one wants to get out and push. Our rhyme of the week is Take a Ride in my Car, and our word of the week is push. In maths, our focus is counting. Finally, we are starting "Letter of the week." School uses a scheme called Read, Write Inc which is a phonics programme that ensures early success in reading, writing and spelling. Each week we will be introducing one letter sound (phoneme), and where appropriate, learning how it is written. The phoneme, and how to write it will be put on Google Classroom. Next week our phoneme is m for mouse. Your child is welcome to bring an object in starting with the sound m for show and tell.



How to Write:

Down Maisie then over the two mountains.

Maisie, mountain, mountain.

Regards
Mrs Price and the Nursery Team

Please Remember:

- School Applications: Is your child starting school in September 2025? The closing date for applications is 15 January 2025. Please ensure that you have completed your application and had an email acknowledgement of the application.
- Your contribution towards snack.
- Warm outdoor clothes

Key Dates

Term Starts Tuesday 7th January 2025
Half Term - Monday 17th February- Friday 21st February
Term Ends - Friday 11th April 2025.

SUMMER TERM 2025

Children start School Monday 28th April 2025
Bank Holiday Monday 5th May 2025
****Teacher Training Day**** Friday 23rd May 2025
Half Term Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025
Term Ends - Friday 18th July 2025
****Teacher Training Day**** Monday 21st July 2025