

Early Years Newsletter

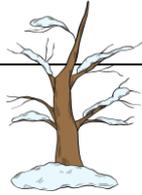
This term our topic is:

All about winter – Spring 1

We will be learning about lots of things relating to winter such as the seasonal changes and winter animals. We will also be learning about the different celebrations and memorable days/events (Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day)

All about spring – Spring 2

We will be beginning to learn all about spring, including the seasonal changes, spring/farm animals, minibests and planting and growing. We will also be learning about the different celebrations and memorable days/events (pancake day, world book day, Holi festival, red nose day, mother's day, Easter, Ramadan/Eid)



Early Years Fund

Thank you to everyone who has paid into the Early Years Fund so far. We kindly ask you to pay 50p per week or £3 for the half term to help us buy extra resources for the children such as playdough and cooking ingredients. We have a lot of celebrations this term and the Early Years fund will help towards the costs of resources for children to experience these (Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, Pancake Day, Easter) Contributions can be made through ParentPay.

Easter bonnet parade

We will be holding our annual Easter bonnet parade on Thursday 21st March at 9:15am. You are encouraged to make an Easter bonnet with your child at home. Parents/guardians are invited to attend where the children will parade their Easter bonnets and sing some Easter/spring songs. Prizes will be given to the best Easter bonnets throughout the Early Years! Please note there will be NO afternoon nursery for these dates – afternoon nursery children to attend in the morning 8:45 – 11:45. **Letter to follow.**



World Book Day

We will be celebrating WBD on Thursday 7th March. Children will be able to come to school on this day dressed up as their favourite story character from their favourite book. We would love for your child to also bring in their favourite book to share with the class.

Illness

Please phone school if your child is ill and unable to attend. We understand young children can become ill but we encourage all children to aim for 100% attendance. There are rewards at the end of each term for 100% attendance.

Dates for the diary

Saturday 10th February January – Chinese New Year (year of the dragon)

Friday 9th February 9-10:30am – Winter craft morning

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February – Half Term

Tuesday 13th February – Pancake Day

Wednesday 14th February – Valentine's Day

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Sunday 10th March – Mother's Day

Wednesday 13th March – EYFS/KSI parents evening

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day

Friday 15th March 9-10:30am – Easter/spring craft morning

Wednesday 20th March – Spring begins

Thursday 21st March 9:15am – EYFS Easter bonnet parade

Monday 25th March – Friday 5th April – Easter break

EYFS craft mornings

Thank you to all who have helped support our craft mornings so far and for all the positive feedback we have received. We will continue to hold our craft mornings each half term for parents to attend, where a range of activities and games are available for you to take part in with your child throughout the Early Years.

Winter craft morning – Friday 9th February 9-10:30am

Easter/spring craft morning – Friday 15th March 9-10:30am.

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Letter to follow.



EYFS spring trip to the farm

We are looking to organise an Early Years school trip to our local farm at Sandwell Country Park – Forge Mill Farm, in April.



With the on-going pressure of costs and financial struggles, could you please register your interest if you are interested/would like your child to attend in order to see if there is enough uptake for it. The trip would be all day from 9-3:30 and we estimate the cost to be around £10. If you would like your child to go but are struggling with payments, please speak to a member of the Early Years team. Thank you. **Further information and letter to follow if trip is going ahead.**

Please Note: Please make sure that each item of your child's clothing (both school uniform and P.E. kit) has their name on it. Clothing often gets mixed up, especially after P.E. lessons so it is essential that all clothing is named. We also have a lot of outdoor learning, please ensure your child also has wellies, a coat, hat, scarf and gloves.