

Early Years Spring Newsletter

Jan 2026

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, UK wildlife in winter and arctic/Antarctic animals.



All about spring – Spring 2

We will be beginning to learn all about spring, including the seasonal changes, spring/farm animals, minibeasts and planting and growing.

Special events – We will also be learning about the different celebrations and memorable days/events (Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, Shrove Tuesday/

Pancake Day, world book day,

Holi festival, red nose day, mother's day, Easter, Ramadan/ Eid)



Children will participate in themed activities and learn about the importance of these special events.

Early Years Fund

We kindly ask you to pay a voluntary contribution of 50p per week or £3 for the half term please into the EYFS fund. This is used to 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 also help towards the costs of resources for children to experience these. This can be paid on parent pay or in person to your child's teacher. Thank you.

Reminders:

Label everything – Please make sure that each item of your child's clothing (both school uniform and P.E. kit) has their name in it. Clothing often gets mixed up, especially after P.E. lessons and ensuring all clothing is named helps us return lost items quickly.

Outdoor clothing – We have a lot of outdoor learning throughout the Early Years – please ensure your child has a coat, hat, scarf and gloves, especially as the weather is starting to get colder. We have wellie racks too for your children's wellies so that they can explore the garden as well!

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, with a trip at the end of the school year.

Dates for the diary

Wednesday 11th February – Spring Disco

Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026 – Half Term

Thursday 5 March – World Book Day **letter to follow**

Wednesday 11th March – EYFS/KSI parents evening

Friday 20 March – Red Nose Day

Wednesday 18th March 9-10:15am – Easter/spring craft morning **letter to follow**

Wednesday 25th March 9:15am – EYFS Easter bonnet parade **letter to follow**

Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April 2026 – Easter break

NURSERY SESSIONS

Please note that there is **NO** afternoon nursery on **Wednesday 18th March** due to the craft morning. Afternoon nursery children to attend in the morning 8:45-11:45. **NO** morning nursery on **Wednesday 25th March** due to the Easter bonnet parade. Morning nursery children to attend in the afternoon 12:30-3:30. Nursery parents are able to take children home after these sessions if they wish to. **Full time children to attend as normal.**

How you can support at home:

Reading together – Spend a few minutes each day reading with your child. This helps build a love for books and strengthens early literacy skills.



Talk about the season – Discuss the changes in weather, what happens to the trees and their leaves and any other observations you make about winter and spring. This will reinforce what we are learning about at school.



Encourage independence – Allow your child to practise putting on their coat, zipping it up and taking off their shoes. These small tasks help build confidence and self-sufficiency.

Outdoor Play – Even in the cold weather, outdoor play is a wonderful way to explore and develop motor skills. Bundle up and enjoy a walk in the snow, jump in puddles or explore the local park to spot birds and other animals.

