

Owlets Newsletter

March 2023

Our Spring Term Adventures

This term we have been extra busy meeting different classes across the school! We spent World Book Day with the Buzzards and their teacher Mr Smith... the children loved sharing books and reading to one another before we all re-enacted Old McDonald had a Farm. Owlets were invited to participate with Harrier's Science Day experiment, in which all the children made playdough before using it together. In a different session we ventured out on a Somerton Spring Walk noticing the differences in flowers and greenery. The children were phenomenal using their observation and listening skills to practice their road safety knowledge.

We have enjoyed returning to our weekly Wednesday PE sessions in the school hall; this term we have focused on group listening skills to follow instructions and games to challenge our colour identifying skills. The children have been set various activities to identify colours, such as a colour hunt outside, matching coloured bears, butterfly prints and painting beautiful daffodils.

The children have been creating their own caterpillars in Owlets whilst learning about the Life Cycle of a Butterfly, alongside exploring the life cycle of an animal we looked at the beauty of flowers, the children observed a bunch of daffodils bloom and then decay. This led on to the children taking special care to plant their own cress seeds, and we hope they enjoy watching them grow.

Next Half Term...

After Easter the Owlets will be enjoying the theme Terrific Tales! We will re-enact some of our favourite Traditional Tales and enjoy singing many Nursery Rhymes. Our first tale to explore is Goldilocks and the 3 Bears; if you have any spare teddy bears we would love to offer them a new home in Owlets. During this half term we will be inviting parents & carers to join us for a story and rhyme time session, dates and further information will be released after the Easter Holidays.

Our Half Term Challenge

This half term we are going to focus on Independence! With many Owlets beginning their transition to school and our youngest Owlets now settled into routine, we would like to set some challenges:

- 1) **I can put my coat on**
(School leavers attempting the zip)
- 2) **I can put my shoes on**
(School leavers attempting straps)
- 3) **I can identify colours**
(red, green, blue, yellow, orange, purple, pink, white, brown, black)

We will be practicing these challenges in Owlets and we hope you will support your child's development by setting them these challenges too! We look forward to hearing and seeing all the achievements our Owlets will make.

We wish you all a wonderful Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you again from Monday 17th April.

Gentle Reminders

If any Owlets have borrowed spare clothing, please may they be returned as we have become very low on underwear and trousers. Any additional donations would also be gratefully received.

We politely request that Owlets are collected on time at 3.15pm as staff have a variety of tasks, meetings or training to complete after each session. To support you collecting your child from Owlets we will open our doors from 3.10pm.

Dates for the Calendar

31st March: Termly funding application deadline
3rd - 14th April: Half Term Easter Holiday
17th April: School places confirmed by LA
21st April: September sessions request deadline
1st May: Bank Holiday
8th May: Kings Coronation Bank Holiday
29th - 2nd May: Half Term Holiday
5th June: Inset Day
17th July: Last Day of Summer term

Owlets Photo Gallery

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