NURSERY INFORMATION SUMMER 1 2019



Together through Christ we grow and learn

Dear Parents and Carers.

We hope you had a restful and enjoyable Easter holiday. This newsletter is to keep you informed of all Nursery matters this term. Please feel free to approach us before or after school if you have queries or concerns at any time.

Before and after school

We politely request that you allow your child to come into the classroom on their own in the mornings. This reduces overcrowding in the cloakroom, is less upsetting for the other children and enables your child to become more independent and begin to manage tasks such as hanging up their own coats. Nursery staff will be there to help them. The doors will open from 8.50 am and all children should be ready to come into school by 8.55am. We also ask that you please ensure that your child is collected promptly at 12.15/3.15pm as it can be distressing for them to be collected late. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Topics

We have now finished our 'Growing' topic although we will continue to learn more as we take care of the growing area and garden in the courtyard. We would like the beanstalk homework sheets back as soon as possible. We would love it if you wrote on our 'Growing' blog on the website as well. www.stvincentsprimary.org.uk Many thanks for your support.

Our new topic for the first half of term is 'Traditional Tales'. We will be learning about various traditional tales through all areas of the Foundation Stage curriculum. If you have any books of traditional tales, especially from other countries, we would love to borrow them. We will look after them very carefully!

Our next Nursery Assembly will be on Friday 17th May at 10.30am. See you there!

Religious Education

In Religious Education, we will start by learning more about the good news of Easter and about Pentecost through the topic of 'Good News'. Many thanks to those of you who have already returned your Lenten Appeal boxes for the Catholic Children's Society. Please could these all be returned by the end of the week. Later, we will be learning about Reconciliation through the topic of 'Friends'.

Library books

Children choose a book from the School Library on Wednesdays. Please return the previous book in book bags on <u>Wednesdays only.</u> Children may only take one book at a time. If a book is lost at home, please inform the Nursery staff so that it can be replaced. You will be asked to pay £5 towards the replacement.

Treasure Time

'Treasure Time' is still every Tuesday. Please encourage your child to choose one small treasure which can fit in their bag. The children really enjoy sharing their treasures with the others so it would be fantastic if everyone could bring in a treasure every Tuesday.

'Wow' Forms

Don't forget our 'Wow!' forms which you can complete at home and send in to school every time your child does something which makes you say "Wow!" These will be put the children's portfolios for them to treasure and they also help to build a record of children's achievements and experiences both in and out of school.

Clothes & Bags

Please ensure that all clothes are clearly labelled with your child's name, including their shoes. Every child still needs to have a complete change of clothes in their box with their name on, in case of accidents. Please also note that children should be wearing plain navy blue coats, school sweatshirts, blue school polo shirts, navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms, blue or white socks, school hats and plain black shoes or trainers (not sandals). Hair accessories should be kept to a minimum and should be blue or white. Each child needs to bring their school bag to Nursery every day. Please check your child's bag daily for any letters etc. As the weather (hopefully!) begins to get hotter, please ensure that you put sun screen on your child before school and provide them with a named school hat. Please note that school staff are not allowed put sun screen on the children.

Lunches, Drinks and Snacks

If your child is having a packed lunch, please ensure that the office are aware of this and that the contents are in line with the school's guidelines (see website). Lunch boxes need to have their name clearly written on the outside. As part of our Healthy School policy, children are provided with a piece of fruit and a carton of milk every day. Children also need to bring in a small bottle of water into Nursery every day as this ensures that they can have a drink of water whenever they choose. Please make sure that this is clearly labelled with their name. It can also be helpful to decorate the bottle in some way e.g. with stickers to help your child to identify their own bottle.

We hope this newsletter has been useful. Please check your children's book bags, the notice board and the school website for further letters and information from school. Many thanks for all your support from the Nursery team.

Miss M Siswick (Class Teacher), Mrs B. Knowler (Nursery Nurse) and Mrs S Rekkas (Nursery Assistant).