

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and enjoying the opportunity to spend more time with your family and friends. It has been a busy and happy half term. The highlight this week, has been the arrival of our ducklings, which have all now safely hatched. Over the next few days, the children will be helping to learn to care for the ducklings and teach them to swim.

A couple of reminders in this newsletter about punctuality and holidays, thank you for your support with these matters. After half term, we have lots planned and we're looking forward to finishing the year on a positive note. I hope you have a happy half term break next week. Fingers crossed the weather improves!

Mrs Ackerman, Head teacher

Holidays

It is lovely that there is now the chance to enjoy holidays again. Please can I ask you to be mindful about when you are booking these. This is an important term to support our older children with transition to primary school, so please ensure your child is not missing out on any important transition arrangements if you are going away.

If you are going abroad, please ensure you are following any Covid travel guidance and you inform us if you are having to self isolate. Please consider the length of time you might be away/self isolating for and the impact this will have on your child's learning.

Punctuality

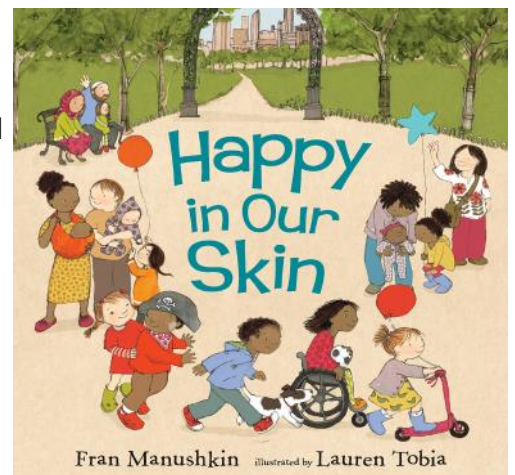
Please ensure you arrive to school on time. As we have a number of drop off times and entrances that need covering, it is a big job to ensure all the children come into school safely and calmly. Arriving on time helps this and also avoids your child's learning time being disrupted.

Please do not arrive too early. There are lots of parents arriving early at the moment. We want to continue to avoid groups of people gathering. Please arrive just before your child's door opens, then they can come into school quickly and calmly.

Thank you for your support with this.

New Books

In the Autumn term, we were very grateful for your generosity when we raised money for our sponsored nursery rhyme event. We have been busy replenishing our books and have purchased some new core books, books linked to our values, books that reflect our diverse community and non-fiction books to use in class. Each week, the children are able to choose a book to share at home. This is a really important part of developing a love of reading and early literacy skills. Thank you for continuing to support this. Please remember to bring in their book bag and write in their reading record.



Our Learning

Here is some of the wonderful learning from this term.



New Diary Date

**INSET DAY: FRIDAY 9th JULY—
School will be closed**

As previously stated, we had one last inset day to set due to waiting to see if Covid restrictions would be lifted. All diary dates can be viewed on our website.

Get advice from your health visiting team via the new text messaging service for parents and carers children aged 0-5 yrs.

This new service will support parents and carers of children aged 0-5 years get advice with health related issues and improve their access to health care. Messages sent to the dedicated number **07480 635164** are delivered to a secure website, and a member of the health visiting team will respond. The service is available Monday- Friday 9-5pm.



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