OWLS & GOSLINGS Newsletter

January 2025 - Spring Term 1

Our Learning

Theme: Talents and Powers

English

We will be reading *The Magic Paintbrush* by Julia Donaldson. We will create our own simple version of the story. We will also ready *Super Milly and the Super School Day* by Stephanie Clarkson. We will discuss the theme of super powers including kindness and generosity.

Phonics

Reception will continue learning diagraphs (two graphemes that represent one sound such as ch, sh, th). Nursery will have daily group time exploring sounds and rhyming centred about a practical activity, song or story.

Maths

Reception will extend their knowledge of numbers 6, 7 and 8 including comparisons, adding ad taking away. We will explore mass and capacity. Nursery will have group time exploring 1, 2, 3 and position and space through practical activities, song or story.

Other areas of learning.

We will be following the children's interests and questions that they asked at the end of Autumn term to include: magnets, moving or pop up cards, moving vehicles and more. Questions include: Do superheroes save lives? Do all superheroes have powers? Can children be superheroes? How do you make a monster? How do you paint a person? Can you only paint on paper?

Reminders

PE - Mondays (with Mr Brotherhood) PE - Fridays (with Mrs Chisman) Woodland Wildlings - Tuesday am. Reading books (reception) - Please ensure these come into school everyday and that you endeavour to read with your child regularly. Socks - our spares stash is almost depleted. Please ensure that you send your child with spares in their bags as we deal with soggy socks most days in this damp weather.

Upcoming Events

Luna New Year - 29th January. We will be having a celebration day and cooking some Asian cuisine. Donations welcome! A separate email will follow.

Big Bird Watch - We will be taking part in January. Please send in cardboard tubes. **Mental Health Week** 3-9 February - Know Yourself, Grow Yourself. We will be doing some mindfulness activities, talking about feelings and growing grass heads.

Safer Internet Day - 11th February. We will look at how to keep ourselves safe online. Maths Cafe gathering - Friday 14th February 2.30

Contact Info

We are available for a very quick chat at drop off/collection. For a longer conversation, please chat to us to make an appointment or email us at

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Tapestry: Please ensure that your Tapestry account is activated to see updates on your child's learning and exploring. You are very welcome to adapt their 'all about me' page and to add your own updates for us to see!

