



Nursery Newsletter



Dear families,

We have had a great week this week, investigating light and looking at how people celebrate the festival of Diwali. The children were absolutely captivated by the story of Sita and Rama and evil, 10-headed King Ravana. The children explored light, and how difficult it is to see things in the dark. And also, how dangerous this can be in the streets at night time – so they came up with a few ideas on how to stay safe:

- Wear bright clothes
- Carry a torch
- Hold a grown-up's hand.

And, of course, they can wear their glow-in-the-dark hat they made this week by writing their initial letter in special paint.

Thank you for the donations for our movie night hamper. The Nursery Hamper looks very impressive. This will be raffled off at the Christmas Disco (and there are a lot of Nursery children who are very keen to win back their popcorn!!)

Parent Consultations – you should have seen a note in your child's bookbag about a consultation appointment time. We do encourage you to come during the sessions so you can spend some time with your child at Nursery, but if you cannot make it, Ms Myzer will be holding some after school and evening appointments on Monday 4th November should that be more convenient. Please email mmyzer1.312@lgfmail.org should you need one of these appointments.

What we are learning next term:

Week 1: Celebrations and festivals – we will continue to look at Diwali, Guy Fawkes Night and the children will talk about what they did for Halloween. We will also be talking about how to stay safe around fireworks.

Weeks 2-4: Jobs and Careers – we will look at the different jobs that people have, what they have to do for their job. If any parents have an interesting job they would like to come and share with us, please let us know!! (In previous years, we did have forensic police officer come in to examine a terribly disastrous scene where 3 bears had gone for a walk, only to return to find someone had stolen a bowl of porridge. The evidence pointed towards Ms Martin...)

Weeks 3-8: Christmas! We will look at how people celebrate, make Christmas cards, and go on an exciting journey to visit Santa.

Nursery times

We would like to remind you that the Nursery sessions start at 8.30am and 12.15pm. The door and register will close at 8.45am and 12.30pm. If your child arrives after these times, you will have to bring them to the main school entrance and they will be marked in as late. The reason why we need to be strict with this rule is because our circle time starts at 8.50am and 12.35pm and late arrivals tend to disrupt our routine. Additionally, the staff may not be available to discuss any concerns with you at this time. If you have any issues getting to school at this time, please talk to us.

Sparklers

Parents are invited to help us celebrate Bonfire night on Thursday 31st October at 11am and 2.45pm. Children will be given the opportunity to hold a sparkler and we would like to share this moment with you. The children will have learnt during the week how to hold one safely and what to do with it afterwards. After our fireworks, we may also treat you to some of the Bhangra dance steps we have learnt. So please come and join us.

We hope you have a wonderful half term holiday and look forward to seeing you on Monday 28th October.

The Nursery Staff.

How can I help at home:

This week we have been looking at our names, especially the first letter. Children have enjoyed trying have a go at writing some of the letters in their name. You can help by:

- Make sure they have lots of opportunities to see their name written down at home – maybe on the door to their bedroom, or on their coat peg, or even on a tag on their clothes. Draw their attention to it.
- Help them to practice writing their name or the first letter of their name at home. This does not have to be at a table with a pencil – make it fun!
 - Squeeze chocolate sauce on a plate and get them to write it with their finger – of course, if they get it right, they can lick their finger!
 - In the bath, lather up the side of the tub and then practice tracing letters with your finger.

Nursery Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
21	22	23	24	25
Half Term holiday - school is closed				
28	29	30	31	1
Back to School!			Parents are invited to watch Sparklers and Bhangra dancing! 11am and 2.45pm	
New topic: Festivals and Celebrations				
Whole school Diwali Assembly (AM) (for children only)				

Picture of the week:



Exploring light: The force is strong with this one!