



Upcoming Events

May 15-19

Art Week

May 18

Class photos

May 19

Arts Week Gallery open to all parents/carers, 2.30pm, lower hall

May 19

Nursery ONLY: Arts week celebration. Parents/guardians/carers welcome. 3.00pm, Middle Hall. Please enter via school office.

May 19

NURSERY ONLY: please leave book bags at home on this date.

Eaglet News

A huge THANK YOU to all who contributed in various ways to our *Project Greenfingers* fundraiser! We were delighted to receive our new custom-made planters this week. The children had a wonderful time helping to fill the planters with soil, strengthening those gross motor muscles and working as a team.



We are really looking forward to planting our vegetables. If any parents are knowledgeable gardeners, we would welcome any help! We plan to plant tomatoes, carrots, peas, radishes and lettuce in the hopes they will be ready for the children to harvest by the end of term.

We have decided that we will not be hosting any more *Project Greenfingers* events this year, as it will be difficult for this cohort to benefit fully from any further funds raised. However, there are a few more Eaglet events in the pipeline for parents to be involved in... watch this space!

Finally, we would like to say another big THANK YOU to Finn (R1) and his parents, Mr and Mrs Cardiff, for building our wonderful planters for us – free of charge! We are sure you will agree that they are a gorgeous piece of craftsmanship and a very generous contribution to our playground. This means that we were able to purchase a water butt, soil, bungee cord and market clips to further enhance our playground. We have plenty of funds left over for seeds and gardening equipment for little hands.

Notices for NURSERY parents ONLY

Please try to fill in the *Home learning sheets* – there are 2 being sent home.

To avoid having to check every book bag: From Monday 15th May, if you have a written message in the message book, please send your child in with it in their hand so they can pass it straight to one of the Nursery staff.

Ideas for filling in Home Learning Sheets/Wow moments

Can your child talk about family traditions and routines? For example, going to watch a football match, visiting grandparents, chatting over dinner time, recent Easter celebrations.

Can you tell us about anything else which your child does at home which we might not know? E.g. riding a scooter (scooting), sewing, cycling, using a computer, cooking, modelling.

A Sad Note

Unfortunately, it has come to light that our playground is not being looked after by some children. Since the beginning of term, over £100 worth of equipment has been broken – some accidentally and some deliberately. This includes an African drum, numbered fish, shells, Lego blocks, storage boxes, buckets and spades, dolls, a till and other role play equipment. This is above and beyond the usual wear and tear expected in an Early Years playground. If this continues then we may have to remove the equipment from use for a while. We have done lots of work around our school value of 'respect'. PLEASE talk to your child about the way they uphold these values in school and the way they treat equipment.

Stars of the week

Nursery - Elizabeth



R1- Frank

R2 – Rose



Nursery

Our learning

This week in pictures



The Nursery children weighed and measured ingredients to make their very own biscuit bears.

Next week

Physical Development

We will be visiting the park and trying different ways of travelling as we complete an obstacle course.

Phonics

We will be exploring *g* and *o* – forming it in the air, writing it, and saying the sound out loud.

Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be asking questions about the natural world – could you practise this at home with your child?

Mathematics

We will be trying Japanese number writing!

Understanding the World

We will be talking about customs from different countries, special times within our own family, and tasting different foods.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be exploring Japanese art for Art Week; Koinobori, lanterns, fans, kimonos, and cherry blossom trees.



Reception

Our learning

This week in pictures



Jovi and Amir worked together to create the London Underground out of blocks, using measuring sticks as tube trains.

Next week

Physical Development

We will be playing games to help us develop our skills in controlling objects by throwing and catching.

Communication, Language and Literacy

Following the children's interests in the latest Disney film, *Moana*, and its link to our Art week topic, we will be exploring the story and retelling parts of it.

Mathematics

We will be exploring measurements, including capacity and using non-standard units of measurement for length.

Understanding the World

We will be looking at maps, photos and other Polynesian artefacts (kindly supplied by Jade and her family) and considering similarities and differences between our own and Polynesian culture.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be immersing ourselves in Polynesian-inspired art; making leis, designing tattoos, enjoying some *Moana*-inspired role-play, and doing some hula and haka dancing!

