

NURSERY NEWS

January 2019

We begin our school year by wishing all our parents, families and children a happy and healthy new year! Our themes for this half term are Winter, Myself and People who help us. The children are learning the names of the parts of their body and exploring how they can move through action songs and outdoor play activities.

- This month the children will become familiar with the **Emotion** 'Anger'. We will be learning how to do 'Turtle', calming down routine, in our PATHs programme.
- In **Numeracy** we are focusing on size and consolidating the topic shape. It would be helpful if you could reinforce shapes around the house and discuss different sizes / quantities using the language big, small, long, short, same, full, empty.
- As part of our **Self-help Independence** programme we are encouraging all children to become more confident putting on their trainers. Please encourage your child to try and put on their trainers themselves. Trainers with stiff backs and Velcro fasteners will help with this task!

Budding Scientists

In preparation for our trip to W5 we will be investigating and exploring through "Science Starz" sessions in nursery. This will involve interactive science activities with 2 scientists.



Healthy Lifestyle

We are sure the children have been showing off the dance moves that they have been learning with **Fitness Freddy** as part of our Healthy Lifestyle and keep fit programme! **Fitness Freddy** and **Jump Jiggle and Jive** will return to the nursery this term to continue this action filled programme - parents will be encouraged to join us in St John's Hall for our first sessions this year! We will be introducing a new programme "**Happy Healthy Kids**" to help parents appreciate the benefits of physical exercise and the implications of physical development.

Teaching Packs

We hope you are enjoying working and playing with your child using the Teaching Packs. Please remember that packs should be used as a 'home learning pack' where items are taken out and returned to the bag at a specific time. This will help ensure all items are returned safely to school. Thank you for your much appreciated comments and feedback in the little notebooks.



Events in the Nursery

January

Monday 14 th	Fitness Freddy - fun keeping-fit dance moves (In St John's Hall - parents welcome)
Thursday 17 th	Science Starz
Friday 18 th	Taekwon-do
Monday 21 st	Jump Jiggle and Jive (In St John's Hall - parents welcome)
Tuesday 22 nd	Mr. Hullabaloo's Theatre Show in the Nursery - 'Winter'
Thursday 24 th	Science Starz
Friday 25 th	Taekwon-do
Monday 28 th	Fitness Freddy
Thursday 31 st	Science Starz

Fundraising

We hope to organise our annual cake fair in February. We will be asking parents to bring cake/bun donations for the sale which will take place in the school hall on Thursday 31st January!

The Bonus Ball continues each week - if your number wins on the National Lottery Draw then you will win £20

Thank you for your support in raising money for school funds!