



Ladybird Monfessori Nursery



NEWSLETTER SPRING TERM 2024



Dear Parents and Grandparents

We have had a wonderful first couple of weeks back and everyone has settled in so well. A huge welcome to our new friends.

A very big thank you for all the lovely chocolates/biscuits/plants/drink and vouchers that us teachers were given for Christmas. It was very much appreciated.

Please note the following events in your diaries:

SPRING TERM

Half Term	Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th February
World book day	Thursday 7 th March
Easter egg hunts	Monday 25 th March and Thursday 28 th March
End of term	Thursday 28 th March at 12.30

SUMMER DATES

Start of Summer Term.	Monday 15 th April.
Bank Holiday (Nursery closed)	Monday 6 th May
Half Term	Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st May
Sports Day	11.00 am Monday 8 th July (nursery closes after Sports day at 12.00 for staff meeting)
Last day of term and Pre-schoolers Graduation	Thursday 11 th July- 12.00 for our younger children and 12.30 for pre-schoolers.

All children are invited to Sports day.

VISITOR FROM NHS Oral Health Team

We are lucky to be having a nurse visit us on Tuesday 30th January to discuss the importance of oral health hygiene in young children. The nurse will be showing the children how/why brushing teeth and eating and drinking healthily is really important.

CHINESE NEW YEAR - Year of the Dragon

We will be making Chinese hats, lanterns and food tasting with chopsticks during the week of Monday 5th February.

On Friday 9th February children that attend this session may come to school dressed in red, the Chinese colour of celebration, or a Chinese costume. Please put outdoor clothes in a spare bag or underneath costumes.

SHROVE TUESDAY – (is in half term this year so we'll celebrate on 20th February)

We will be tossing pancakes and eating them at snack time.

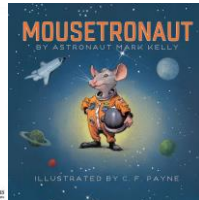
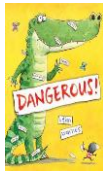
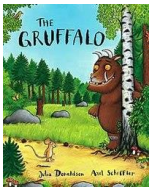
WORLD BOOK DAY - Thursday 7th March.

If your child is present on this day, they may come to nursery dressed as their favourite character. Please can they also bring along their favourite book. We will be reading stories and drawing pictures throughout the day.

No superheroes or Disney characters please e.g. No: Ninjas, batman, princesses etc as the play becomes too rough/excitable for 7 hours of the day!

Please bring suitable clothes underneath the outfit or in a spare bag for outdoor play.

Some suggestions may be...



STAY AND PLAY

Parents and or Grandparents/cares are invited for a stay and play hour on Thursday 14th March, 8.45-9.45. All children welcome. This will be an opportunity for Parents/Grandparents to chat with your child's key worker, share with the children their early learning journals (scrapbooks) and have a play with their child at Ladybird.

PARENTS' EVENING

Wednesday 22nd May. This is an opportunity to book an allocated time slot to speak to your child's key worker (timings to be confirmed.) This occasion is for parents/grandparents and not for the children.

SHOW AND TELL

This term show and tell is a Tuesday morning.

We would love to encourage your child to discuss their chosen show and tell, this really helps their confidence. Suggestions - Something relevant to our weekly topic, medals/trophies, photos, a favourite story. Please do not bring dolls/cars/ toys with no relevance.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Our nursery policies and procedures and early years information is all on our website. A list of the terms extended activities and your **child's key teacher** is on display on the notice board. Please take a few moments to check the notice board and all the information on the website.

WONDERFUL WORDS

We alternate a chosen word to discuss with your child in circle time. Previous words have been 'magical' 'spectacular' and 'precise.' We look at the meaning of these words, along with the pronunciation. If your child has any suggested words that they would like to teach their friends then please let me know.

RUGBYTOTS AND SPANISH

Both of these have started back this term, both of these bring a huge amount of excitement to the children and they are learning new skills whilst having lots of fun.

A FEW REMINDERS....

Sausages/grapes/tomatoes

Please **chop** up small **sausages, grapes and tomatoes** in the children's lunch boxes. Although there is a teacher at each table these items are the biggest choking hazards for small children.

Please name clothing and water bottles.

If anyone has any scrap paper we would love to have it! The children get through so much paper with all their lovely mark making and cuttings.

Please remember that we have an open-door policy. Please just ask if you would like to chat to any of the teachers.

Best wishes,
Beckie

