

Murphy Class Newsletter



Welcome Back!

Welcome back to all our children and families. We started this half term off with some very important learning about Road Safety. The children took part in some workshops on Monday with a focus on crossing the road safely. Please ask your child about this learning whilst you are walking around the local community.



Project Work

Lots of our children have been showing a keen interest in designing and creating their own 'clothes' recently. The children were originally creating outfits from paper but we have been providing them with fabric and sewing tools to develop the interest further. We would be grateful of any donations of fabric/old clothes that the children can 'upcycle' to keep this interest going and build on their skills! London Fashion Week here we come!



Understanding Our World



The children are going to be posting letters/cards to their families in the next couple of weeks so it would be great if you could talk together about your home address. Teaching your child the name and number of their street would be really helpful and we will be looking at Google Earth together in class.

Mobile Farm Experience

We are very excited that Ian's mobile Farm will be visiting Early Years on Wednesday 20th March. We have heavily reduced the cost of the visit through fundraising and contribution from school fund. The cost per child is £3.40. Please can payments be made at the school office or via your Parentmail account by **Friday 8th March**.



Parent Partnerships — Dates for your Diary!

Tuesday 5th March— Photograph Day (individual and family photos)

Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th March — Parents Evening: appointments between 3.30 & 6pm. Please book your appointment through the ParentMail app

Thursday 7th March — World Book Day, dress up as a favourite character/in pyjamas.



Friday 15th March — Comic Relief, details to follow



Wednesday 27th March — Spring/Easter themed Stay & Play 2pm -3.15pm

Reading & Writing Cafe

This half term we will be alternating between Reading and Writing Café sessions starting from **Wednesday 28th February at 2.45pm**.

Writing Café sessions will offer parents the chance to explore a variety of different activities promoting writing skills with their child.

This will continue each Wednesday afternoon throughout this half term.

We look forward to you joining us!



Donations

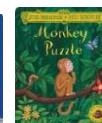
It's that time of year again when we spend a lot of time in the garden, preparing and planting flowers and vegetables for our growing projects over the next few months. If you could donate bags of compost, plant pots or seeds we would be so very grateful. The children are always so enthusiastic about growing in the garden and we really want to embrace the excitement and make the most of the hands on learning opportunities.

Our Favourite 5!

Each half term, we will read 5 key texts. This half term, our 'Favourite 5' books are:



Monkey Puzzle
How to Catch a Star
Whatever Next!
Handa's Hen



The Smartest Giant in Town

By reading these 5 stories regularly, children are exposed to lots of new vocabulary. Our 'Grandma Fantastic' collects all of the new vocabulary that we have learnt from each story. We revisit this new vocabulary often, to support children to absorb the language and explore it in a wider context.