

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

CLASS NEWSLETTER Spring 2023 -2024

Nursery



Welcome to the Spring term

There are five members of staff who work in the EYFS unit—Mrs Montrose (named Nursery teacher and EYFS Leader), Mrs Pickett (named Reception teacher), Mrs Newton, Mrs Chisnall and Miss Gill. We all work equally with all the children and will gladly answer any queries you may have about your child's learning.

PE DAY

In EYFS we do PE on a Friday.

The children will attend school in their full PE kit (Plain white round neck T-shirt / chapel end T-shirt with red sleeves; plain red shorts; plain red sweatshirt/ hoodie/ school jumper or cardigan; plain black jogging bottoms ;trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity.)

PE activities

Our PE lessons relate to our theme and this term we will be working on developing our balancing skills and core muscle strength. We will be practicing jumping and landing and developing our awareness of space. We will also be using different sized balls to throw, catch and kick.

Homework

Your child may bring home their 'Busy Bee' homework book on a Friday or we may set a homework task for you to complete on Dojo. Homework tasks will be short and fun and you and your child should complete these together and bring back to school the following Wednesday. These tasks relate to work that your child is doing in school and should not take longer than 15 minutes to complete.

We also love to see what the children have been getting up to at home—if they get a certificate swimming or gymnastics etc then please send it in so that achievements can be celebrated.

Drinks and snacks

The children have free access to water throughout the day and do not need to bring a water bottle to school. The children have milk, water, snack and fruit each morning and afternoon. Snack money is £14 for full time children and £7 for part time children. This is paid half termly via school money.

These are some of the things we will be learning to do this term

Communication and Language

Listen and respond to stories
Use new and interesting words

Sing songs

Personal Social and Emotional

Take turns and share resources
Express own preferences and interests
Respond to appropriate boundaries

Think about how we keep ourselves safe and how we grow and change

Physical

Use scooters and trikes
Use mark making tools with more control
Fasten and unfasten shoes and coats
Develop ball skills

Literacy

Write my name
Begin to learn some initial sounds
Tell an adult what my mark making means
Talk with an adult about a wider range of books-

Maths

Recite number names to 10 and beyond
Get up to 5 objects when asked Experiment with symbols, marks and numerals
Name and talk about shapes
Identify some numerals

In EYFS the themes we explore are led by the interests of the children. We observe the children as they are playing and learning and plan accordingly.

Our topics during Spring term will be 'Take one picture' and 'Growing'.

We will keep you informed about the themes we are focusing on via Class Dojo!

Some of the books we will read

Can't you sleep Little Bear?
The Tiger who came to tea?
Where the wild things are
The very hungry Caterpillar
Supertato

Enrichment activities

Chinese New Year
National Storytelling week
Valentines Day
Weather experiments
Mother's Day
Easter
New children visits
World Book Day

Weekly Themes

8th Jan PSHE- Keeping Myself Safe
15th Jan- It's okay to feel sad
22nd Jan- School value - Resilience
29th Jan - What is fair?
5th Feb- Children's mental health week
28th February - School Governors
6th March - Ramadan
13th March - Protected Characteristics
20th March -Holi
27th March -The Easter Story

Dates for your diary

Assessment week 27.2.24

DT week 22.1.24

Art week 26.2.24

Please catch up all dates for your diary with the weekly newsletter.