Canon Burrows Primary School
Nursery Newsletter
Summer 1 2026

Welcome to the Summer term! We hope you had a restful and fun Easter break and are looking forward to another jam-packed half term just as much as we are!

Our topic this half term is 'Where will your imagination take you?' We will be immersing ourselves in fairy tales like 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. These stories will inspire lots of the learning activities and play that we do. During this half term we will also be focusing on the lifecycles of plants and how to care for growing plants.

Please see our Nursery page on the school website for more curriculum information and some useful videos on early reading and number sense. Please also check the school twitter page (@canon_burrows) for regular updates from right across school.

SUMMER 1 - WHERE WILL YOUR IMAGINATION TAKE YOU?

In Literacy this half term the children will be continuing to develop their mark making skills in 'Drawing Club' for the children who are ready which is a fantastic opportunity for the children to use their imagination to draw pictures of characters, settings and different adventures. They will also be learning about lots of new vocabulary linked to different books, videos and traditional tales and having a go at labelling their pictures with initial sounds. For the children who aren't ready they are going to be doing lots of fun fine motor activities to build up their control of pencils and tools.

In Maths this half term the children will be exploring and recognising features of shapes, following directional instructions to follow a route, counting out 3 objects to make collages and potions and we will be continuing our skill of subitising three amounts without counting them.

In Phonics the children will be learning the new sounds 'b, f, l, v, w, y. They will be taking part in lots of initial sound and blending activities. They will also be taking part in a daily rhyme time where they will be learning a weekly Nursery Rhyme.

In Understanding the world we will be learning about the lifecycle of a plant and growing our own sunflowers from seeds and magic beans to make our own beanstalks. We will be talking about the changes we can see over time.

In PSHE we will be working on our communication skills ensuring we are making eye contact, taking turns and listening to others. We will be thinking about times when it is important to listen carefully. We will also be re-capping our emotions focusing on trying to be aware of what triggers our big emotions and what we can do to stop them.

In EAD we are going to be focusing on trying to use different emotions within our pictures and to continue to explore colour mixing independently within provision. We will also be trying to create our own small world scenes using our imagination and building/ small world toys.

In R.E we are going to be learning about friendship and why it is important, aswel as places that are special to Christians and people of other faiths.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday 13th April- School opens
Monday 5th May- Bank Holiday
Monday 18th May– Arts Week
Monday 18th May 9-9:45 Nursery Parents Art Session
Friday 22nd May- School Closes

We are only on the end of the phone or email - if you have any concerns, please get in touch via

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Please ensure your child has a (labelled) sunhat for the warmer weather
- If the weather is cold or wet, please ensure your child brings an appropriate coat.
- If the weather is really sunny, please apply sun cream to your child before school.
- Please only send your child's water bottle (containing water) and book bag (separately in case of leaks) each day.
- Please continue to record any reading experiences you have with your child in their reading diary.