



Nursery Newsletter

We discover and realise the genius in everyone!



Dear Parents...

Welcome back to Nursery! We have lots of exciting learning coming up this half term and we will also be performing our Christmas Production in December. May we remind you that the Nursery session at Thamesmead begins at **8:30** and ends at **11:30 (gates open from 11.20am)**. at Royal Arsenal begins at **12.30 pm** and ends at **3.30 pm (gates open from 3.20pm)** Please be punctual, if children are late they miss out on important learning on the carpet.

Kind regards,

Ms.Torres

TOPIC FOCUS: IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE

This half term, our topic focus is "It's Time to Celebrate." We will be learning about different cultural celebrations from around the world. We will be learning to share our own experiences of celebrations and events in our lives. We will continue talking about significant people in our lives, and begin learning about people who help us in the community. Please see below an overview of some of the activities that will take place this half term.

IMPORTANT DATES

Book Fair

10th-15th November

Odd Socks Day

13th November

Last Day of Term

Thursday 21st December

First Day Back to

School Tuesday

9th January

Remember to apply for a [Primary School place.](#) Applications close on the **15th of January**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Uniform

Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and has a spare set of clothes and a plastic bag left at school in case they need to be changed.

Water bottles

Please note that children are required to bring their own named water bottle to school each day.

Book bags

Please ensure children bring their book bags to school on the day written on the label. Books will be changed once a week.

Topic Overview: All About Me

| Date/Week | Core Book | Activities |
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| 30.10.23 | Peace at Last | - Learning how to make different environmental sounds - Learning some nursery rhymes and action songs - Learning about our routine |
| 06.11.23 | Let's Celebrate the 5 Days of Diwali | - Making firework pictures using paint and rangoli patterns - Talking about what we celebrate |
| 13.11.23 | Zeki gets a Check Up | - Learning about people who help us - Playing with a range of small world resources such as fire stations and doctors surgeries |
| 20.11.23 | Postman Bear | - Starting to mark make on paper and on the iPads - Moving to different types of music - Sorting objects including by shape and size |
| 27.11.23 | Spot's First Christmas | - Making cards and letters - Making salt dough decorations |
| 04.12.23 | The Snowman | - Make calendars for 2024 - Creating snowflake patterns |
| 11.12.23 | Dear Santa | - Writing letters to Santa or to a special person - Learn about the Christmas story |
| 18.12.23 | Children to choose a book | - Children to have a disco and move in different ways - Make sandwiches or fruit kebabs for our class party |

HOME LEARNING

Please see below for some suggested activities you can do at home to support your child in her/his learning.

- Help your child learn how to put their coat and shoes on independently
- Count aloud with your child saying the names of the numbers clearly. For example, count the steps on your walk to school.
- Support your child in recognising their name. e.g. you could write their name on the work they make at home.

