

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019

### The PowerPoint explained

- **Slides 1-3** - These are self-explanatory.
- **Slide 4** - Our Timetable
- Monday - Maths - A focus on number, space and shape.
- Tuesday - Phonics - We use a program called 'Letters and sounds phase 1'. This helps your child tune into various sounds they hear, e.g in their environment, which will help them to eventually hear the sounds within words. Developing the skill of reading and writing. See the following link for more information [www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-1.html](http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-1.html)
- Wednesday - Finger Gym - This will include activities such as, 'Dough Disco', which entails manipulating play dough to music. This will strengthen your child's arm and hand muscles ready for writing.
- **For Maths, Phonics and Finger Gym - The children will split up into smaller groups. They will participate in each of the activities over a 3 week cycle.**
- Thursday - Hall time - The children participate in a yoga warm-up and then we follow a program called 'Write Dance', This is a music to movement program that prepares children's muscles for writing.
- Friday - Forest School - We will spend the whole session down in the Forest School, playing games, discovering nature and lots more. **SHOW PUTTING ON TROUSERS/BOOTS**
- **Slides 5-14** - Explains the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum, 'Development Matter'. A copy of this is available in the nursery cloakroom to look at or from the following link - [www.foundationyears.org.uk/files/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf](http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/files/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf)
- **Slides 15-16** - These are self-explanatory.
- **Slides 17-18** - Explains how you can book an appointment to see Mrs Steer, to discuss your child's progress or any other

matters. Please note I have had to make an amendment to the times. They now take place at 2.30-2.40. 2.40-2.50 and 2.50-3.00, however, if you cannot make these times talk to Mrs Steer. The appointment list is displayed on the 'Parents Information Board' in the cloakroom, just sign your name and child's name next to the day and time slot.

- **Slide 19** - This is about our school web site. Please take a look each week as this will keep you updated on things happening in the school and nursery.
- **Slide 20** - TALK, LISTEN, PLAY GAMES and READ to your child. Also Surrey County Council, in their web page 'Learn with me', has many ideas of activities parents can do with their children at home. The link is: [www.surreycc.gov.uk/people-and-community/family-information-service/education-and-learning-advice-for-families/early-learning](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/people-and-community/family-information-service/education-and-learning-advice-for-families/early-learning).
- **Slide 21** -
  - Reading Library - After half term your child will choose a book to take home each week, for you to read to them. Your child's library day will be a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.
  - Handouts - Everyone was given a 'Nursery Booklet which contains more information about the nursery.
  - Celebrations - As well as Christian celebrations such as: Christmas, Easter, Pancake Day etc, we would like to celebrate festivals that you may celebrate with your child. Please can you write these on the lists on the Parents Information Board, and also the date when they are celebrated.
  - Wow - If your child does something you are really proud of e.g. sleeping in their own bed, riding a bike without stabilisers etc, please let us know so we can celebrate their achievements at nursery. Take one of the Wow certificates, found on the Wow display in the cloakroom, write down your child's proud moment and then give it to us in nursery. We

will then read it out at carpet time, the Wow certificate will then be displayed on our Wow board, before being stuck in your child's Learning Journey.

- Special Week - Each Friday we choose a total of 6 children, they need to complete the poster of things they like to do, play with etc. They then can put up to 5 of their favourite things in the bag provided. They need to bring this back to Nursery on Monday, where their posters will be displayed on the wall, sometime during that week your child will show their poster and special things at a carpet session.
- Parent Helpers and Secret readers - We will not be inviting parents into help until the children are really settled. However after half term we will be starting our secret Readers. If you are interested in being a secret reader sign your name on the list found on the Parents Information Board, **DO NOT** tell your child you are coming in as it will spoil the surprise. On the day you have chosen, come to nursery with your child's favourite story to read to all the children at the end of the session - 11.30 for Squirrels class and 2.45 for Hedgehogs and Rabbits classes. Stories can be read in your own home language, they do not have to be read in English. The children get very excited about Secret Reader so please take part. Other members of the family can also be involved e.g. Grandparents or Uncles and Aunties.
- **Slide 21** - Illness - If your child is feeling unwell, especially if they have been given Calpol for a temperature, please keep them at home until they have recovered. As illness amongst young children spreads quickly.
- **Slide 22** - If you have any questions about this Powerpoint or any other questions, please do not hesitate to ask us or make an appointment to see Mr Steer.

## Resources I need to show

1. Development Matters
2. Learning Journey
3. Show Tapestry
4. Reading Library folder
5. Wow certificate
6. Special week
7. Secret reader table
8. Appointment table to see me on a Wednesday