



Newsletter - Term 2a (4th Jan to 10th Feb 2023)

News / Fundraising

- We are planning to have a friendship themed children's disco and supper at pre-School.
- We are donating a selection of used tea towels/towels to the Exotic Pet Refuge and local hedgehog Sanctuary for bedding.
- We will be holding our regular monthly collection of food and consumables to support the Community Larder.

What we have been learning about

- We are investigating the properties of the winter season, experimenting with ice production, learning about the animals of the Arctic and Antarctic and enjoying penguin awareness day on 20th January. Feathered friends closer to home are not forgotten - as we feed the birds in our garden and observe the visitors to our feeders during the Big garden Bird Watch.
- Chinese New Year starting January 22nd gives us the opportunity to experience another culture as we make our own dragon for dragon dancing, try different foods and create a variety of crafts.
- We finish January with National Storytelling week - an ideal time to snuggle up with our favourite tales.
- As we head (hopefully) towards lighter, brighter days in February we are celebrating a variety of National and International events. Friday 3rd February is Wear it Red Day and national story telling week (when we will have been enjoying a range of our favourite tales) ends.
- We are looking at emotions and feelings during Children's Mental health Week (starting 6th February) and helping our children recognise and express these appropriately. We will be talking about the value of friendship and looking after those we love - and of course making Valentines for these important people.
- Although it is Half Term during Random Acts of Kindness week, we will have been working on these beforehand - although we firmly believe kindness should be an everyday occurrence ☺



Thank you

- Big Thanks to Phyllis for her generous donation - to be spent on 'goodies' for Pre-School
- Thank you to our parents for some lovely new resources.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January & February

Oliver, Archer, Kathy, Arlen, Lennon, Maisie,
Oscar, Aurora, Freya & Emma

Term 2a

4th January to
10th February

Term 2b

20th February to
31st March



If your child is feeling unwell, please do not bring them into pre-school. If too many of our staff get sick we will not be able to open as we will not have sufficient adults to maintain the necessary ratios.

Help your child at home

- Please help your child become an independent dresser, teach them to put their coats on, do buttons & zips up and put their shoes on.
- Look out for numbers and letters in the environment, children love to spot them and tell you what they are.
- Talk to your child about the seasons, how plants & animals grow, where certain food comes from etc
- Talk about their senses appropriately - taste, sight, hearing, touch & smell.
- Positional language in context - in, out, over, under, above, below etc.
- Remember to look on our windows, notice board and Facebook page for ideas, information & events.

