

# Nursery Spring Term 2019 Newsletter



### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Welcome back to spring term at Welbeck Nursery. We really enjoy watching your children grow and develop over the year and look forward to being a part of their learning journey this term. We have an open door policy here in Nursery so please feel free to catch any member of the Nursery staff if you need time to talk or discuss your child's progress.

### **Nursery Staff**

Miss Riley – Nursery Teacher Mrs Denman, Mrs Hasan and Miss Cobb Teaching assistants Mrs Lawrence- PPA cover Friday AM

## **Packed lunches**

This term the children have started recognising when they are hungry and the importance of food and are now eating their packed lunches independently at lunch time. Please continue to ensure that all lunches are <a href="healthy">healthy</a> with no crisps, chocolates, cakes, sweets or juice. Examples of a 'good' lunchbox can be found on the Nursery door.

# **Topic books**

Here are some of the stories we will be sharing with the children this term in Nursery

Whatever Next? By Jill Murphy

On the Moon - By Anna Milbourne and Benji Davies

**Q Pootle 5** – Nick Butterworth

The Way Back Home - Oliver Jeffers

You can read these lovely stories with your children at our weekly **Reading Mornings** held in the Nursery every **Tuesday** at **8:50-9am** 



# Our Word and Outer Space

This half term we are finding out all about SPACE! The children are already fascinated with learning about the important role of the moon, the planets and stars. We have been dressing up as astronauts and exploring what it would be like to go into space in a rocket or space ship. In our fantastic Space Centre role - play area the children have been making telescopes to star gaze which has generated lots of topical conversation with the children using the new vocabulary in their imaginative play. We have been asking questions like "Can we live on the Moon?" and looking closely at the similarities and differences between the Moon and Earth. Take time to talk and ask questions with you child about their topic at home.

Thank you for your support at home with our weekly <u>sound, colour, shape</u> <u>and number of the week</u>. These can be found on the Nursery notice board or you can ask a member of staff to help you.

During the spring term the children will begin to practise recognising their name and the initial sound, building their name using letters and finally writing their own names independently. This will take place at 8:50am so please ensure your child arrives at Nursery on time so they don't miss this important learning time.

### TIME KEEPING AND ATTENDANCE

**Part time-** 8.50am to 11.45am or 12:30pm to 3:10/30pm

**Full time -**8.50am to 3.10/30pm

Please be on time dropping off and collecting your child. It is important that your child attends every day to really get the most out of their learning. If your child is ill or unable to attend, please phone the office or let a member of staff know. Thank you.

# **Outside play**

We play **outside** every day and follow an **indoor/outdoor** policy. This means that the children have access to our lovely outdoor area at all times of the day. With this in mind, please bring a labelled coat, hat, scarf, gloves and suitable footwear. The Nursery doors are open during the day and so a jumper or thick long sleeved top is advised.

# **Please NO Jewellery**

The children have loved the task of learning how to put on their coats independently. Thank you for your support with this at home. We are now focussing on teaching them how to fasten them by themselves. We appreciate that zips and buttons are tricky baseness for little fingers so any help from home would be greatly appreciated!