



Welcome Back!

Spring Term 1 2023

January 2023

Happy New Year everyone and welcome back to Preschool! We hope you've had a wonderful family Christmas and the children have lots of fun stories to share with us.

This half term our topic is 'Twinkle, Twinkle' and the weekly themes are as follows:

Week 1	Night and Day
Week 2	Chinese New Year
Week 3	Space
Week 4	National Story Week
Week 5	Nocturnal Animals
Week 6	Valentine's Week

Chinese New Year is a wonderful celebration - we will be learning about the Chinese culture, creating our own dragon and preparing our very own Chinese banquet.

Week 4 is National Story Week and our focus is on Julia Donaldson and 'The Gruffalo'. Feel free to send in any favourite stories by this or any other author this week as we will be reading many, many stories!

The final week we have a scientific dissolving candy experiment planned to tie in with our Valentine's theme.

Learning is tailored to the children's individual interests, therefore we do sometimes divert from our themed topic to accommodate this. The children lead their own learning and the teachers engage with them to support and extend this, ensuring learning is meaningful and relevant to each child.

Please ensure your child has spare clothes, appropriate outdoor clothing and labelled wellies for our forest area.

If your child is in nappies or pull-ups, please ensure they have spares plus wipes and nappy sacks in their bag.

It would also be helpful if you could let us know in the mornings if your child is having a school dinner or their own packed lunch as the children aren't always sure when asked at register time.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask us in the mornings or phone/email school. Many thanks.



The Early Years Team

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