

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all!

This term we are looking at animals and their different habitats. We plan to go on a few visits and have some special visitors come into class to help us with our topic. We will be researching facts on what different animals need to survive as well as thinking out what animals make good pets.

We will also be doing seasonal work on Spring Time.

### Literacy

We will be continuing with sounds and learning the letter formation rhymes. We have lots of information and story books all about animals and will be doing lots of animal labelling and researching animal facts. Our pencil grips are developing well and we will continue to support this in class as well as working on how to write our names and some of our family member`s names. We will be using lots of different equipment to develop our fine motor skills and encouraging lots of mark making in class.

### Numeracy

This term we will be continuing with lots of numbers songs and rhymes to five and ten. As well as doing lots of counting, addition and subtraction tasks with different toy animals.

We are looking at shapes in our classroom and outside as well as doing some different measurement tasks.

A new focus for maths this term will be talking about how to record our maths in different ways.

### P.E.

This term we are using lots of different balls and developing our co-ordination skills. We also plan to do lots of different animal movements to music.

PE is still on a **Thursday** morning so please bring your child in to school with sporty clothes or a PE kit to change into.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be looking at spring colours and doing some colour mixing.

We will also be looking at different animal prints and thinking about animal camouflage techniques. As well as designing some different animal habitats.

## Music

This term we are learning lots of animal songs and animal action poems. We will be using lots of different instruments to investigate sounds and use with our poems.

This term Forest School will be on a **Tuesday afternoon** so please make sure you send your child in clothes you don't mind getting muddy.

Lucy the learning bear has lots of new challenges for us this term. We are getting really good at asking lots of questions and thinking about our own learning strategies.

Thank You to all those parents who wrote in the reading record diary and completed the homework card last term. This is a great support for your child. You will be having a new homework card shortly for this term.

Please can parents put library books and records into the box for us to change.as it is very difficult hunting through bags to find books. As usual parents and children may also select books from the Library shelf whenever they want.

We look forward to welcoming some new Nursery children this term to join our fabulous class.

If any parent is unsure about anything at Nursery please just speak to one of the team.

Here`s to another fun filled term.