



Foxglove Montessori Nursery

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Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a lovely Easter break - didn't we have some wonderful weather!



Focus Book

We have a focus book at nursery which we explore in detail and we do different activities based around the book. This term we are going to be exploring books all about growing, ready for the arrival of our chicks and frogspawn. The first book we will be reading together is Eddie's Garden.

Suncream and Wellies

The weather is very changeable at this time of year, so we need to be ready for everything so we can continue to access the outside area.

Please apply suncream before children come to nursery, we will reapply after lunch so if your child is at nursery all day we will need a named bottle of suncream to keep at nursery. Please supply a **named sunhat** that can stay at nursery.



Keeping safe with Coronavirus

Thank you so much for your support with our policies to keep our children, staff and families safe. Please continue to keep your child off if they have any Covid symptoms. The most common symptoms include: a continuous cough, high temperature, sore throat, headache, loss of appetite, blocked or runny nose and the feeling of tiredness and exhaustion.

Lunch boxes

We encourage the children to learn about healthy eating at nursery and how to keep themselves fit and well.

We would be very grateful if you do not send chocolate, crisps or sweets and no fizzy drinks please. This includes no chocolate spread as it is very difficult to tell chocolate spread from Nutella. Please send only water in drink bottles.

We have some children with allergies this term, so no nuts in any form please - including Peanut Butter.

Please name lunchboxes and all the containers inside.



Transitions

Everyone who is leaving this year should now have heard which school their child has been allocated. We will be speaking with the Reception teachers, to pass on the children's likes and dislikes and who their friends are. We would like to share with families which children are going to each school, so you can make contact with other families.

We would suggest that you don't make too big a thing of school transitions just yet, there is a long time to wait and we don't want children to get worried. If you do talk about school then avoid calling it 'Big School,' and always talk positively about the next steps. Children do pick up on adult worries and they have a wonderful time ahead of them. School in the Foundation Stage is very similar to nursery, with lots of play and supportive adults.

Dates for your diary



Date to be confirmed

End of term outing - details to follow.

We hope as many families as possible will be able to join us on our outing as we celebrate our nursery year and say goodbye to our friends starting primary school.

Friday 15th July

End of term parties and leavers ceremony at nursery.

Life Cycles

We will have some eggs in an incubator in a couple of weeks. We should see them hatch, and we will keep the chicks for a few days before they go to their forever home on a smallholding just outside Stowmarket. The children will have the opportunity to hold the chicks at nursery. We should also have frogspawn and tadpoles at nursery when they are ready, which we will hopefully see grow into frogs. We will have some caterpillars coming after May half term, and we will look forward to watching them develop and change into butterflies.



Term dates for 2022

Summer Term 2022

Starts: Monday 25th April 2022

Half term: Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Ends: Friday 15th July 2022

Autumn Term 2022

Starts: Monday 5th September 2022

Half Term: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

Ends: Friday 16th December 2022

Letter sound and number of the week

Every week we have a featured letter sound and a number of the week.

<u>Week beginning</u>	<u>Letter</u>	<u>Number</u>	
25 th April	s	1	We always use phonic sounds at nursery, so 'a' like the start of apple, 't' like the start of tiger.
2 nd May	a	2	Names of letters come later on. This is so the sounds can be blended easily to make a word. There are some useful YouTube videos on sound pronunciation.
9 th May	t	3	
16 th May	p	4	
23 rd May	I	5	
6 th June	n	6	#BacktoSchool Phonics - Letter Sounds: SATP Level One Alphablocks - Bing video
13 th June	m	7	
20 th June	e	8	
27 th June	o	9	If you wish to start looking at the shape of letters, use lower case, apart from at the beginning of names.
4 th July	g	10	

Please don't hesitate to ask me or your child's key person if you have any questions or concerns. It is usually easier to give you our full attention at the end of the session rather than the beginning. If it's not urgent then please email on

foxglovesmontessori@yahoo.com

Looking forward to a great term,
Lindsey Harvey, Principal

**Please name everything you
send to nursery:**

**Lunch boxes, drink bottles,
coats, welly boots, shoes,
hats and hoodies all need
naming.**

Thank you!