

Ditton Nursery School

Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Dates for your Diary

22nd April—School Reopens

29th April—Parent Health course

7/8/9th May—Stay and Play sessions

12th May—SEND Coffee Morning, Communicate, our speech and language provider, is coming too

23rd May—School closes

School show rounds are taking place **every Thursday morning** for all prospective families. Please book in with the school office.

Dear Families,

Once again we have had a fun half-term with our learning, and I have certainly seen lots of happy, smiley faces around school. I am so proud of all our children and it is lovely to see them growing in confidence and independence.

We have enjoyed celebrating World Book Day, visiting Croxteth Farm Park, and we have also enjoyed a visit from our local librarian.

We extend a warm welcome to all our new starters as we grow our school family, and it has been a pleasure to have families in school for Stay and Play, library sessions and our trip to the farm. Thank you for all your support!

We hope you have been enjoying the lovely sunshine and we wish you all a very Happy Easter break!

Best Wishes,

Liane Johnson (Executive Headteacher)

2 Year Olds

Two-Year-Old Room Adventures This Half Term!

What an exciting half-term we have had. The children have loved exploring mixing paint and seeing how many colours they could make. We have enjoyed lots of sensory play; we have also made lots of goop and practised our swirling circles and squiggly lines to develop our fine motor skills.

We had a visit from the dentist who brought along Frank the Monkey. He showed us how to brush our teeth properly and encouraged us to do this twice a day!

On shrove Tuesday we made pancakes using a special pancake machine. The children measured the ingredients and mixed them together, and then waited in anticipation as they cooked.

Our most exciting adventure this half term was a trip to the farm. We got to meet a range of different animals, big and small, and the children were very brave when they had the opportunity to hand feed them!



3-4 Year Olds

Three-Year-Old Room Adventures This Half Term!

What a busy, enjoyable half-term is has been! We have been learning about eggs; exploring the different animals that lay the, as well as their varying sizes and colours. We even cracked some open to examine the white and yolk inside. We have observed magpies in the garden, used binoculars to watch them and seen them fly by with long sticks for their nests.

We had a special visit from Franke the Monkey, who showed us his gleaming teeth and taught us how to keep ours healthy and gleaming too.

To celebrate World Book Day, we had fun dressing up as our favour characters and wearing a word. We enjoyed a Zoom story time with our local library too. On Pancake Day, we had fun making and tasting pancakes, as well as creating lemon-scented play-doh.

In maths, we have continued working on counting accurately and matching numbers to amounts. In phonics, we have practised rhyming and started exploring the fun world of alliteration.

We enjoyed a wonderful visit to the farm to see all of the animals, we learnt all of the names of the animal babies and sung farm related Nursery Rhymes!



Stay and Play Sessions

Thank you for joining in and supporting our Stay and Play sessions about maths. The children certainly enjoyed having their special adults in school.

In the summer term, our Stay and Play will focus on Transition: transition to Reception class or transition to a new classroom.

Please save the date and come and see us. (13/14/15/16 May)

More details to follow on School Spider.

Uniform

School Uniform is available from the school office.

Navy Sweatshirt: £11

Blue Polo T-shirt: £10

Social Media

To keep up to date with what is happening in Nursery this week, please check our

Facebook pages.

Governor Spotlight



Hello, my name is Rebecca Littler, I am joint Vice Chair Governor.

I started out as a parent governor 3 years ago. I have seen how the nursey schools have transitioned over the past few years and worked together to develop best practices. I look forward to what the future holds, as the Nursery Schools have already come so far and will continue to strive forward.

Wrap Care

Wrap Care during the Easter Holidays is open. This is offered to all our children and costs can be found on our school website under the Parent Information tab.

For further information, please speak to Laura or Karen in Nursery, email wrapcare@affns.co.uk, or contact Catherine in the School Office.

2 Year Old Funding

With new government guidelines, from April 2024, working parents may be able to receive 15 funded hours. To check eligibility please visit www.childcarechoices.org.uk
For more information regarding places, please contact the school office.

Attendance

It is really important for children to come to school every day so they are not missing out on important learning and the exciting things we have planned. If your child is not well please get in contact to let us know.



Green (97%+)
is good attendance



Amber (91-96%)
is a cause for concern



Red (below 90%)
is poor

Snack money for this half-term is £10.00.

Can we remind parents that snack is in addition to your child's nursery funding so can you please also pay snack for this current half term if you haven't already done so.

Payments can be made: Half Termly - £10.00 Termly - £20.00



Payments

Can we ask that all payments (snack money, trip money etc) are paid into the nursery school bank account or through the School Spider app. Please ensure all payments are clearly identified with your child's name and details.



Full year - £60.00

Contacts

- Tel: 01514244686 Option 1
- Email: reception@affns.co.uk
- WhatsApp 07310 051855

Dropping off & Picking up of children

Can we just remind all parents and family members to follow the drop off and pick up times. The purpose of this is so the groups are not continually disturbed during the session

Drop Off

9.00 am

12.45pm

Pick Up

12pm

3.45pm

Privacy Notice

Please find the privacy notice relating to data protection on our noticeboard and website.



Disabled Car Park Spaces

Please do not park in these spaces unless you are registered disabled and are displaying your blue badge. Staff will challenge anyone who is parking here unless they can see badge displayed and you will be asked to move.



Yellow Zig Zags – Parking

Can we ask that parents do not park outside of nursery school on the yellow zig-zags. These lines are here for a reason – the safety of all the children.

