

# Nursery Newsletter

## Spring Term 1



### Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back! We hope you have had a lovely break and the Nursery team would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a Happy New Year. The children have settled in well to their classes and routines and we are looking forward to some exciting learning opportunities. As the weather is turning increasingly cold and wet, please provide your child with appropriate clothing. Remember that the children have access to outdoor learning throughout the year. Please continue to check your child's clothing to ensure that their names have not been washed off and the staff will do their best to return their belongings to them.

### Home Learning:

As we continue along your child's learning journey we urge you to support us in the following ways:

Home Learning Books will be given out shortly. Please support your child and encourage them to complete their tasks as independently as possible.

This half-term, we will begin teaching the children the sounds of the alphabet. This is an important pre reading skill and we will be happy to talk to you about how you can best support your child in practising the different sounds.

Please contact the Nursery Team if you have any concerns or would like support in helping your child with any aspect of their learning.

Thank you for your continued support.

### The Nursery Team

#### **Albania:**

Miss Mahmooda Begum  
Ms Kelly Hannaford  
Ms Karolina Zielinska

#### **Cyprus:**

Ms Shebli Khatun  
Miss Janifar  
Manoranjalingam  
Ms Assunta Di Crosta-Low

#### **Bulgaria:**

Miss Mahmooda Begum  
Ms Kelly Hannaford  
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#### **Denmark:**

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#### **Year Group Leader:**

Miss Mahmooda Begum

If you have any questions or concerns, please approach your child's key person.

## Learning in the Nursery

Your child's learning takes place both indoors and outdoors with carefully planned activities developing their experiences through play.

Children are also involved in adult directed activities based on your child's interests covering all aspects of the **Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum**.

The children also learn through their own initiated activities when adults offer questions, ideas and additional resources to extend the children's thinking.

Your child will also be encouraged to join group activities including story time, circle time, PE and music.

### PE Days

**Albania:** Friday **Bulgaria:** Tuesday

**Cyprus:** Friday **Denmark:** Tuesday

## Library Days

### Albania:

Every Monday

### Bulgaria:

Every Friday

### Cyprus

Every Monday

### Denmark:

Every Monday

Brampton Primary School is a 'Love of Reading School', so please ensure that your child has their Book Bag on the appropriate day. Children must keep their library book at home until their next visit as we do not have the opportunity to change them other than on our designated day.

Unfortunately, any child with a book still at home will not be able to borrow a new book. Lost or damaged books will need to be paid for in full.

## Curriculum

### **This term's topics: Imagination and Make believe**

**PSED-** This half term we will be reading fairy tales and traditional tales. We will be talking about friendships and making good choices during play.

**C&L-** We are continuing to focus on speaking and listening and we will be encouraging the children to develop their questioning skills.

**PD-** This half term we will be focusing on developing gross and fine motor skills which will include the very important modelling of holding a pencil appropriately.

**Literacy-** We are continuing to build our knowledge of phonics. Knowing all the sounds of the letters in the alphabet is a key skill. We will also be exposing the children to many new stories, so that they develop a love of reading.

**Maths-** Counting to 20, recognising 2D shapes and creating simple repeating patterns will be a key focus this half term. Please support this learning at home by asking your child to find numbers, shapes and patterns in the environment.

**EAD-** Many of our activities will involve the children in design and creative arts this half term.

**UW-** We will be looking at and talking about some of the things that the children have observed such as animals, natural and found objects. The children will be developing an understanding of different building materials and how they can be used.