

Nursery Newsletter

Summer Term 1

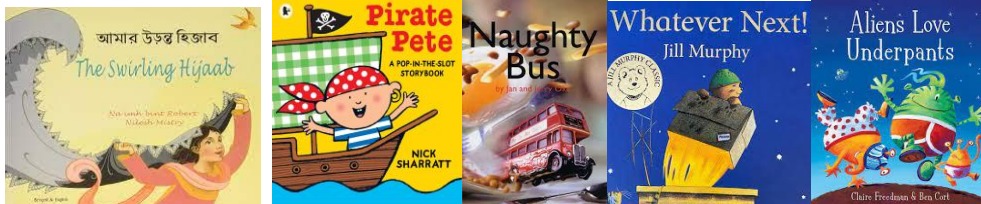


Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back everyone! We hope you have all had a restful Easter break and were able to enjoy some of the spring sunshine. We are very much looking forward to an exciting summer term in Nursery. Remember to check Tapestry on a regular basis to see what the children are learning and to share your child's proud moments with us.

This half term, our topic is **Travelling and Explorers** with the key question - **How can we get to where we want to go?** During this topic the children will have opportunities to learn about different types of transport. We will be exploring trains, aeroplanes, cars, boats and buses and thinking about the different ways they move and how they work. The children will be going on many 'journeys' this half term using their imaginations to transport themselves into different worlds.

In Literacy the children will continue to develop their vocabulary through the use of our key texts:



Summer is a great time for outdoor activities. The Nursery children are encouraged to play outside the classroom as much as possible, not only to enjoy the sunshine, but to develop their gross motor skills, coordination, social skills such as sharing and taking turns. We plan on making the most of the spring weather and have a huge array of fun, topic-based activities for both indoors and outdoors. Please ensure that your child has a named sun hat in school to wear as the days start to get warmer, as well as applying sun cream prior to them coming to school to keep them safe in the sun. We will also be talking to the children about the importance of 'Sun Safety'.

As this is the final term for children in nursery before moving up to Reception, we would like to encourage the children to develop as much independence as possible. Independence is about learning to do things for themselves, which includes making decisions and taking on responsibility. These are hugely important skills for children to learn to cope with in adulthood.

We are looking forward to seeing you at nursery every day! If your child is ill, please ring and inform the school office.

Thank you for your continued support!

The Nursery Team

Antigua:

Mrs Ruta Plauskaite
Ms Sarah Neale
Mrs Renitha Ramdass
Mrs Kelly Hannaford

Cuba:

Ms Barbara Willson
Mrs Sandhya Regmi
Mrs Salma Bosor
Mrs Kelly Hannaford

Barbados:

Mrs Ruta Plauskaite
Ms Sarah Neale
Mrs Renitha Ramdass
Mrs Kelly Hannaford

Dominica:

Ms Barbara Willson
Mrs Sandhya Regmi
Mrs Salma Bosor
Mrs Kelly Hannaford

Classroom Practitioner:

Mrs Rehana Ahmed
Mrs Yasmin Begum

Year Group Leader:

Mrs Ruta Plauskaite

Phase Leader:

Ms Barbara Willson

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

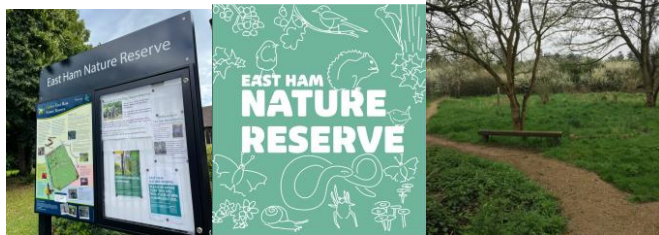
Dates for this term's educational Visits

As part of our topic **Travelling and Explorers**, Nursery children will be visiting **East Ham Nature Reserve** on the following dates:

Nursery PM 15th May

Nursery AM 16th May

It will be a great place to discover more about nature and the children will have an opportunity to spot different types of transport on the way to the place.



PE Days - The children do not need PE Kits in school as we will just take our socks and shoes off.

Antigua and Cuba: Friday

Barbados and Dominica: Tuesday

Reading

Brampton Primary School is a 'Love of Reading School', so please ensure that your child has their library book in their **book bag** on the appropriate day.

Antigua: Monday

Cuba: Tuesday

Dominica: Wednesday

Barbados: Monday

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.

Reading Records with books should be returned every **Wednesday**.



Curriculum This term's topic: **Travelling and Explorers – How can we get to where we want to go?**

C&L- The children will continue practising their speaking and listening skills. They will use talk to organise themselves and their play. They will also be focusing on **Why** questions.

PSED- This term we are planning for the children's transition into Reception. Encouraging the children to become more independent will be a priority for us. As part of the RSHE curriculum, we are following the Jigsaw Scheme. This term's topic is Relationships and we will be focusing on the book: **I Want a Friend** by Tony Ross.

PD- This half term we will be concentrating on activities which support the development of the children's fine motor skills. These activities will develop the muscles the children need to gain good pencil control, and therefore be able to form recognisable letters and numbers.

Literacy- The children will continue learning letters and sounds supported by the RWI programme. Segmenting and blending the sounds in words will also be a focus element during phonics sessions and continuous provision.

Maths- Our focus will be on number – children will continue counting forwards, and backwards accurately using the counting principles. They will learn to compare quantities using language 'more than' and 'fewer than'. They will be exploring language of direction and position.

UW- The children will have the opportunity to explore their environment both indoors and outdoors. They will be looking at our local environment, and further afield, around the world. They will look at how people travel around the world and look at how things move.

EAD- During the sessions, the children will be exploring how to use their imagination to retell and make up their own stories.