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Newsletter February 2025

We had a lovely half term with our topic of winter, migration, and hibernation. The children did a wonderful job of painting and decorating our display of one of our topical books 'Under and Over in Winter', showcasing hibernating animals.

The children enjoyed reading the book 'The Big Freeze'. The children decorated their own animal jumpers and planned and made their own snow machine as a team.

The children joined in with celebrations of Chinese New Year and practiced our scissor skills cutting out paper plate snakes and trying noodles and rice.

Our topics going forward heading into Spring are life cycles. Some key books we will look at this half term at The Hungry Caterpillar and The Gruffalo.

Nursery Quiz!

It is the time of year where we ask for a group of volunteers who would be willing to give up some time to organise the annual quiz. The quiz is a fantastic fundraising night, raising money for the village hall. Raising money for the hall really helps us to keep our running costs down allows us to buy/replace resources for the children and put money into activities. Please do speak to Jo or Caroline if you are able to help. We would be extremely grateful. Last year we had wonderful raffle prizes and a brilliant night of the quiz, and music bingo!

Key dates:

HALL CLOSURE – The hall will be closed to us on Thursday 1st May for local elections to take place. Nursery will be CLOSED on this day.

World Book Day - Thursday 6th March 2025. The children are invited to bring in their favourite story to share with us and dressing up is optional.

Last Day of term 3rd April 2025

LUNCHES

Please check that your child's lunch box is clearly marked with their name. Sausages, grapes and tomatoes should all be cut in half down the length of the item. Please ensure your child's lunch box does not contain any foods with a sesame or nut content, e.g., cereal, muesli bars etc. Your full cooperation would be appreciated. We would also remind you that in keeping with healthy eating PLEASE DO NOT PUT SWEETS OR CHOCOLATE in your child's lunch.

This nhs link has some great ideas for pack lunches https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/





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Safeguarding Notice

Please can we ask that phones are not used while inside the nursery.

Please can we ask that all hot drinks are left outside.

Please only enter the nursery using the main door. Please do not go through/over fences.

Please do not enter the children bathrooms unless accompanied by a member of staff.

When the children come in in the mornings, it would be lovely if you could encourage them to independently place their water bottle and lunch box in the correct place and also find their own name card. Its great practice for school independence!

Early Bird Session are now available from 8.30. These sessions can be booked on a half termly basis. They will cost £4.50 per session. We are more than happy to offer a trial of this before full commitment. Please note that you can arrive anytime from 8.30 and it doesn't have to be an exact 8.30 arrival. The sessions are limited to 6 children only due to staff/child ratio.

Please do keep and eye on our website as here you will find up to date term dates and information.

We have also joined the world of social media! Please do search for us and follow us as another way of keeping in touch if you would like to.

Reports Please can we ask that once you have had your meting with your key worker and your report is available to you please may you write a little comment on the bottom. Thank you very much.

Reminders

- Please remember to send your children in with wellies, waterproofs and long sleeve tops for forest related activities.
- Please be prompt when collecting children for 3pm. Several of the staff need to go and pick their own children up so being late, can cause delays for them.
- Please can we also ask that at the end of the day children remain close to you and not run around the hall. We have safety rules in place during the sessions and one of these in particular is no running in the hall. It would be great if you could help to reinforce this at the end of the day. Thank you.
- Please ensure that ALL personal possessions are named.



Tel. 07876 260780 **Session times only**

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Fees and Extra Charges

Our fees are £7.80 ph Early Bird Session £4.50

Weekly French (Tuesday for Oaks) - £2.25 Termly Woodwork (Oaks) - £7 Music - £3

These charges are necessary to help us maintain the high standards we always strive to achieve at each session through training for our staff, resources and insurance etc. Please speak to Jo if you have any queries regarding your invoice.

Invoices are sent out at the start of each half term through Xero and we would ask you make payment before the beginning of each half term.

KEEPING UP TO DATE

It is extremely important that all the information we have on record is up to date. This includes contact information (telephone numbers/emails, etc) and most important any dietary requirements/allergies your child may have.

EMAIL – info@mvns.co.uk

Please, please remember to check your emails. This is the quickest way for us to get information to you regarding nursery. Let us know if your email changes.

However, if you need to speak to us, or get information to us, it is always advisable to phone. Although we check the emails regularly, at weekends or during holidays there is always the possibility that we will not access the email address daily and therefore could miss something important.

ON LINE TAPESTRY/JOURNALS - CARE DIARY

It is very important that everyone looks at their child's journals on a regular basis. Input from home is extremely valuable, giving a much clearer picture of how your child is developing and the progress being made. There is a "Care Diary" facility that can be found under the menu tab. We are using the toileting icon. This will detail times when your child has had their nappy changed. We also use the First Aid facility, so if your child has an accident, we will ask you to sign our ipad. The download will then be emailed to you.

Jo Mealey