

Nursery Peek at the Week

Weekly News

This week, we have read the book 'All About Families' by Felicity Brooks. We have been thinking about the different people that are in our families and how they are related to us. We have learnt different vocabulary that people use to refer to different family members. For example, some people call their grandmother granny, gran, nanny or nan. We have also been thinking about the different relationships within our families for example, we have learnt that our grandfather is actually our father's father. The children have enjoyed using different media to create some family portraits.

The children have all been very excited as we start to think about transition. The children who are moving to our Reception classes at Dorchester Primary School have all enjoyed two visits to their new classrooms and can confidently talk about what they have enjoyed doing and what they are really looking forward to in Reception. We will continue to visit the Reception area over the next two weeks to help the children to become increasingly familiar with the environment and their new teachers. We have also been supporting children who are moving to other schools by looking at their new school's websites to talk about their classrooms and the uniform that they will wear.

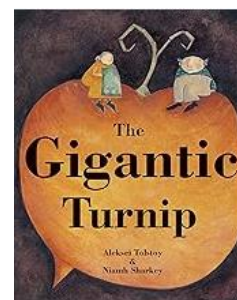
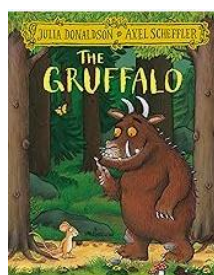
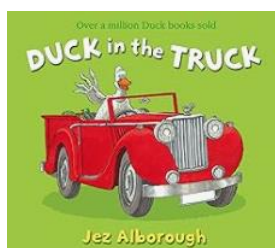
The children who are staying with us in Nursery are all really excited to meet their new friends and help them to settle in September. We have also been talking to the children about some changes that we could make to the Nursery environment to make it even better and they have confidently given their input.

If you have, any questions please do not hesitate to email me, or Munaza, using the email addresses below:

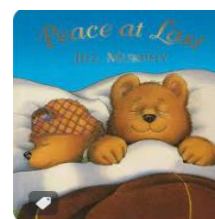
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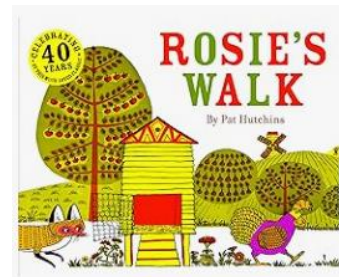
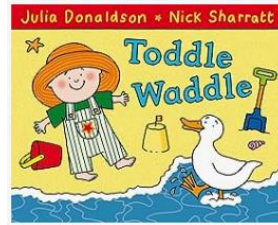
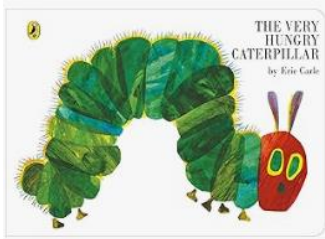
3-a-day Stories for Amber, Casper and Millie group children: The children have learnt our last 3 a day stories really well. These are our new 3 a day stories for this half term:



3-a-day Stories for Ollie group children: These are stories that the children hear every day. These stories have been carefully chosen to help the children to develop a love of reading and to help them to develop early reading skills. These stories have key elements that support the children to retell them for example many of them use rhyme or repeated phrases.



3-a-day Stories for Ziggy group children (these are our new children): These are stories that the children hear every day. These stories have been carefully chosen to help the children to develop a love of reading and to help them to develop early reading skills. These stories have key elements that support the children to retell them for example many of them use rhyme or repeated phrases.



Dip and Do

These are some ideas of things that you may like to do to support your child's learning at home.

- Can you talk about who is in your family?
- Can you make a family tree?
- Can you continue practising writing your name?
- Can you draw a picture or make card for your new teacher? Maybe you could draw them a picture to show your favourite thing in reception.

What have we been learning Nursery?

Please show your child these pictures and encourage them to talk about them.

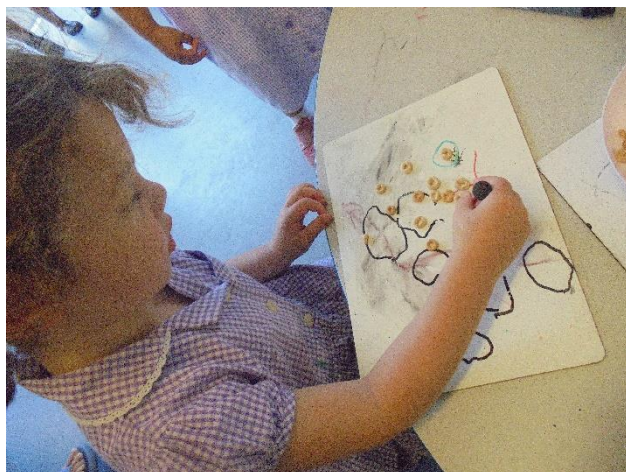




We have also been practising our subitising skills

What do you see?

How do you see it?







Can you help?

We are looking to enhance our Nursery and Reception environments for next year. We would really appreciate it if you can help or if you know someone who could possibly help with the following:

We would like to adapt pallets to create some areas in our classrooms. These would be sanded, made safe and if possible joined to stand-alone. Please see the picture below for inspiration:



We would also like to make a little workbench for our playdough area. Again, if made using pallets this will need to be sanded and made safe. Please see below:



We are also trying to develop our home corner. If you have any furniture that you no longer need, please see if it is something we could use. We would love to try and create a pretend mini dining area like the one below:



We would like to add some herbs to our mud kitchen but would need something that would last and regrow quickly if the children take bits off of it. Please speak to us if you have any gardening knowledge. We would also like some larger planters if anyone has some spare.

Please talk to one of us if you may be able to help.

Important Dates

Nursery end of year celebration: Thursday 17th July 1:30pm. Parents/carers will be invited to join us as we celebrate the learning of the children who will moving to Reception (whether this is at Dorchester or elsewhere). We hope to have a family picnic in the garden beforehand (weather permitting). If your child is staying in Nursery or moving to another Nursery they will not be part of the performance but they are of course welcome to come and watch. All families are welcome to join us for the picnic. Further details to follow.

Last day of term: Thursday 17th July 2025