

Nursery Peek at the Week

Weekly News

This week in Nursery, we have enjoyed learning our good morning song. We are learning to say hello, good morning and good afternoon using Makaton. Makaton is a language programme that combines signs, symbols and speech to give different options for people to communicate. The children have really enjoyed using Makaton to say hello to each other. Please see photographs below. As part of this song, the children have also learnt to talk about their feelings. Next week we will be learning about the Zones of Regulation and how we can use these to help us to talk about how we feel. We will also be looking at our school rules Ready, Respectful and Safe.

The children have also continued to explore the different parts of our continuous provision, they have particularly enjoyed making some lovely concoctions in our mud kitchen.

Please do not forget if you would like to contact me, please feel free to email me using the email addresses below:

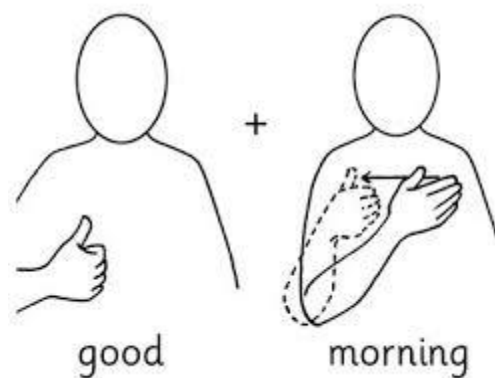
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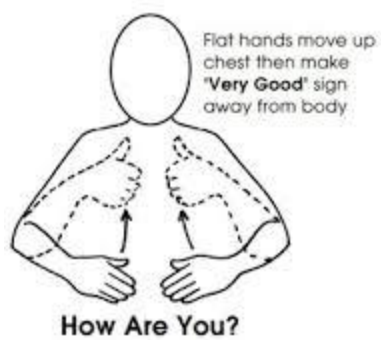
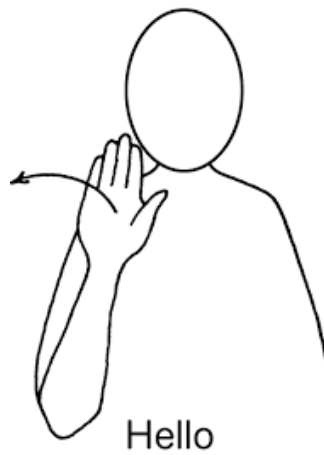
Good morning song-To the tune from singing in the rain.

Good morning, good morning

Hello and how are you?

Good morning, good morning to you







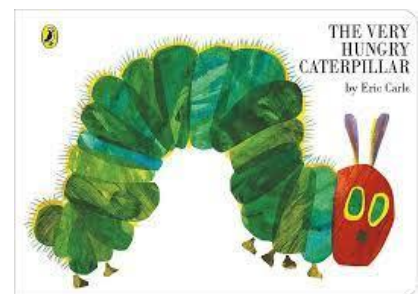
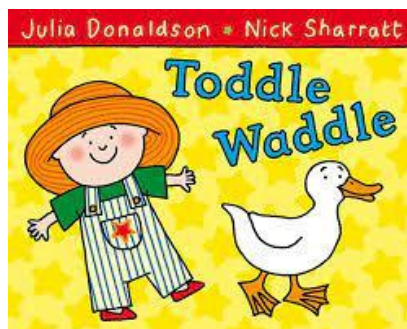
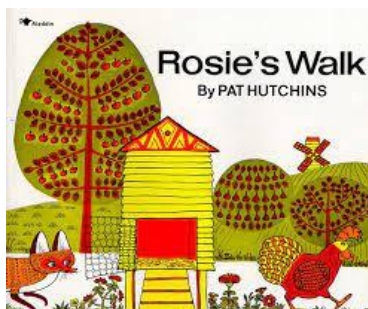
Makaton Sign Illustration..... Copyright The Makaton Charity 2010.....



Dip and Do Home Learning

Please help your child to practise putting on their own coat and shoes.

3-a-day Stories: 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. Please read these at home too, if you do not have them you could borrow them from a library or watch them on YouTube.



We would love to include photographs of the children within this newsletter. Please make sure that you have completed the Nursery admission Form using this QR Card.

At Dorchester Primary school we operate a Key Worker system to ensure every child feels safe, secure, and known as an individual by building a close, trusted relationship with a specific member of staff. As Nursery Class teacher I am responsible for each child's learning and I am supported by fabulous staff to ensure that all of our children make progress. Your welcome letter will have outlined who your child's key worker is but if you are unsure, please ask a member of staff.

Key Worker Information



I (Annabel) am the key worker for Amber group and Amber bear is our group mascot. Amber group use the main Nursery Carpet as our key Worker base for group sessions and story times. When I have my PPA time, (I am still around but spend some of my time in the office) on Wednesday Mornings and all day on Thursdays) Jennie does the key worker sessions for Amber group.



Carol is the key worker for Casper group and their mascot is Casper bear. They meet on the carpet in Copper Class (Nursery extra room and Nursery lunch room) for their key worker sessions.



Gemma is the key worker for Jimmy group and their mascot is Jimmy bear. They meet in a learning corner in the Reception corridor for their key worker sessions.

We also have Zoe who helps children who may need some extra support during carpet sessions.



Parental Engagement

Research shows that active parental involvement is the single most important factor in helping early years children achieve good development and do well in all areas of learning. Please see below the calendar of events for Nursery parents/carers events this year.

Nursery Parent/Carer Events 2026-27 		
September Settling Sessions	October Welcome to Nursery Coffee morning/afternoon Thursday 8th 8:30-9:15am/ 2:45-3:15pm Copper Class (meet at Nursery Gate)	November Early Birds: Rhyming Activities: World Nursery Rhyme Week Thursday 12th 8:30-9:15am/2:30-3:15pm Nursery
December EYFS Nativity Wednesday 16th 9:30-10:30am Thursday 17th 2:15-3:15 pm	January Phonics Workshop Thursday 14th 8:30-9:15am/ 2:45-3:15pm Copper Class (meet at Nursery Gate)	February Early Birds: Fine Motor Activities Friday 5th 8:30-9:15am/2:30-3:15pm Nursery
March Live 'Squiggle while you Wiggle' (handwriting) Tuesday 16th 11:10-11:30am/2:30- 3:15pm Nursery	April Maths Workshop Thursday 22nd 8:30-9:15am/ 2:45-3:15pm Copper Class (meet at Nursery Gate)	May Live Phonics Session Tuesday 25th 11:10-11:30am/2:30- 3:15pm Nursery
June Live Maths Meeting Friday 25th 11:10-11:30am/2:30- 3:15pm Nursery	July Early Birds: Summer Holiday Activities Wednesday 7th 8:30-9:15am/2:30-3:15pm Nursery Nursery End of Year Celebration Tuesday 20th 10:00-11:00am in Hall Nursery Family Picnic 11:00am-12:30pm	August SUMMER HOLIDAYS



School Gateway

This is an app that the school use to communicate with parents/carers. This is how you will receive the School's Weekly newsletter, Nursery's Peek at the Week and all other information about important events happening within school. This is also the app that you can use to pay for lunch club, extended hours and other school activities. You will need to download the app and sign up. Please let us know if you have any technical difficulties. **Please make sure to ask other parents/carers if they are using the app. We still do not have everyone using it.**

Now that the weather is turning colder and wetter could we please ask that you send your child in with a **named coat every day**. The children do have access to outside learning in all weather conditions. We also **need named, spare clothes** including underwear and socks.



How to access Peek at the Week

If you download the School Gateway app you will receive a message each week with a new link to the school's newsletter.



Once you scroll down the newsletter you will see the Nursery photo and a key question to ask your child. You can then click 'read more' to find our peek of the week. If you need help to do this please ask one of us.

If you do not want the app you can find Peek at the Week on the school website. The current news articles are at the bottom of the home page, just scroll along to nursery. Peek at the week will be at the bottom of the Nursery article.



Rainbow 2026/2027
WhatsApp group



Please use this QR code to join the Nursery WhatsApp group which is managed by our Nursery Class Rep Marta (Otilie's Mum)