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Dear Family

Nursery Closed - Friday 6th July.

Science Week: We have had a lovely time exploring and experimenting during Monday and Tuesday. On Monday we read the story of 'Little Miss Inventor' and then we put some flower stems into coloured water and waited to see if anything happened to the petals. By Wednesday morning we noticed that some of the petals had changed colour. The blue colouring was the best at changing the colour of the petals!! The children were very excited! We also experimented with paint and how they can make new colours when they mix the primary colours together. On Tuesday we put different levels of coloured water into bottles and the children were able to tap them to make different sounds. The children had a lot of fun and I hope they came home and told you about our science days!



RE: This week we have continued to talk about friends. Thank you to those parents who have already sent in a 'friend' template sharing how your child has been a good friend. We are displaying them on the door in nursery. Please continue to send them in. Next week will be our last week talking about friends. Our next topic is 'Our World'.



Summer and Seaside Topic: This week we began our Summer and Seaside topic. We have displayed various seaside objects outside on the table for the children to look at and explore. We have opened up the large sandpit which the children have enjoyed playing in.



Literacy: We have continued with our 'Letters and Sounds' by introducing the sounds 'j', 'v', 'w' and 'x' this week. Please encourage your child to think about initial sounds in words and objects when you are playing and talking to them sometimes.

Maths:  We have been recapping our 2D shapes and problem solving skills again this week.



Physical: We have had lovely weather so the children have managed to spend a lot of time in the garden playing on the bikes and climbing frame. They have also been able to practise their drawing and writing skills in the garden.



Ball Skills: On Tuesday the children went on the field with our sports coach and had a lovely time practising balancing skills and sprinting skills. There will be another session next week.



Lanterns of the week: This week's 'Lantern of the Week' in our morning session are Lenora and Tivain. 'Lantern of the Week' in our afternoon session are Aamina and Bartosz. Well done to all of them for trying hard in their activities, being a kind friend and for helping in the nursery this week



Library Books: Please remember to return your child's school library book in their book bag on Thursday. Thank you.



Show and Tell: Some children like to bring toys from home to show us. As we don't want them to get forgotten, lost or broken we have now introduced a 'Show and Tell' time. If your child would like to bring in a toy on a Thursday to show to the children and talk about it, please can you ensure their name is on it and we shall have a box for them to put it in. This activity can improve your child's confidence and speaking skills. Please can you discourage your child from bringing in toys on the other days. Thank you.



Summer Fayre: Planning is underway for the PA summer fayre on Saturday 14th July. The Nursery will have their own stall. To help make the event a great success we will need your help, with volunteers, donations, raffle prizes and ideas. If you can volunteer anytime on the day, please let me know. As the nursery is closed on Friday 6th July, we will be having a non-uniform day on Thursday 5th July in aid of the PA's school fayre.

Reminders:



Clothes: In the summer term children are welcome to wear royal blue David Luke shorts to nursery. You can purchase shorts from Lucilla's uniform shop, Cranbrook Road, Ilford. Can you please ensure that those children with long hair have it tied up and that your child is wearing trainers or flat shoes to nursery, no open sandals. Trainers with a Velcro fastening are most suitable. As the weather gets warmer the children will be also hanging up their jumpers on their pegs more often, so please ensure that your child's name is clearly labelled in their jumpers. Thank you. Please can you put your child's name in their sun hats. If your child wears wellies or boots to school can you bring in their trainers to wear indoors and ensure they are named. **Please return any nursery clothes as soon as possible.**



Hot Weather: On days when the forecast is for hot weather, please encourage your child to wear a long lasting sun cream as they are allowed to choose to play in the garden during the session. We allow them to wear sun hats and sunglasses but please name them as we cannot be responsible for them if they get lost or broken. Thank you.

Some dates for your diary:

Thursday 5th July- Non-uniform day for Nursery children.

Friday 6th July- Nursery Closed

Friday 13th July- Nursery Sports Day- AM children in the morning, PM children in the afternoon.

Saturday 14th July- 12 - 4.00pm – School Summer Fayre.

End of Term- Thursday 19th July

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coughlan, Mrs Ladd, Mrs Sleigh, Miss Clark.