Summer 2022 - Oak Room Curriculum News



April 2022

We would like to start by welcoming you back from your Easter break, we are all very excited to begin this Summer Term and look forward to some wonderful new learning opportunities.

We will continue to encourage your child's speaking and listening skills through inspiring role-play experiences and this term will introduce 'Oak Room Farm Shop' where your child's play will be enriched through the provision of authentic and real items.

We will also be working closely with your child to support their school readiness skills in preparation for transition into Reception class. We will continue to encourage children to independently come into the nursery and put away their bags/coat/water bottles etc, we will be focusing on other essential school skills such as longer listening and sitting periods as well as expected behaviours such as putting up hands to ask questions. Our aim is to ensure your child achieves a good level of development as we support them in preparing for and exploring the next chapter of the learning journey.

Literacy

This term our theme is 'All Creatures Great and Small' we will look at a range of related books such as: Handa's Surprise, The very Hungry Caterpillar and The Teeny- Weeny Tadpole. The children will have the opportunity to retell some of the stories, and look at other non-fiction books to broaden their growing vocabularies. We offer a wide range of mark making opportunities to encourage and support your child's early writing skills and we will support and encourage children as they continue to learn to recognise and write their names and other letters. We continue to learn about alliteration and rhyming as part of our Phase 1 phonics work, and we will be placing a greater emphasis on Phase 2, which teaches letter sounds and how to blend and segment these as children begin to read and write simple words.

Mealtimes

At Evergreen we are very fortunate to have our own Cook, Mrs Mary Mills. Mary prepares a nutritious morning and afternoon snack for every child, as well as a delicious hot dinner for those who stay for lunch and tea.

The menu is available to view at: <u>Evergreen</u>
<u>Nursery | Abbots Green Academy</u>

Rainbow Challenges

Based on our Rainbow Values which we proudly share across the nursery, we invite you to try some of our Rainbow Challenges. Your child may like to try this term, or maybe suggest a new challenge for us:

Imagination – Can you collect some daisy's and make a super summer pattern?

Wonder – Have a think about all the exciting things we can do together as the weather becomes warmer, I wonder what ideas you will share with us?

New Experiences – Can you tell us about a new place that you have visited or a place you hope to go to?



Polite Reminders

We kindly ask that no toys are bought in from home as it can be upsetting if anything becomes lost or broken.

We also politely ask, that unless otherwise agreed, could you please ensure that your child's water bottle only contains water.

Sadly, Oak Room said goodbye to Miss Reynolds We would like to wish Miss Reynolds good luck in her new position.

We would also like to warmly welcome Mrs Mills. Evergreen are delighted to announce that Mrs Mills will be joining us as an EYP across both our rooms.

Outside Learning

Oak room children continue to love exploring their outside environment and have recently enjoyed taking on the responsibilities of gardening. You may have already noticed our beautifully planted welly boots.

With the weather beginning to get warmer, however, we do kindly ask that you still send your child into nursery with a shower proof coat and a sunhat. We also kindly request that you apply sun cream to your child before they arrive. We kindly suggest that you leave a named bottle of sun cream at nursery to be reapplied by your child as necessary

Oak Room Lead

Miss Williams

HLTA

Mrs Laflin (PPA cover) Thursdays Only

Early Years Practitioners

Miss Bartlett

Miss Tasker

Miss Wright

Mrs Mills

Summer Term Key Dates

Bank Holiday- 2nd May 2022

Half Term (Oak room is closed) 30th May- 3rd June 2022

Barnardo's The Big Toddle June 2022 (Exact date TBC)

PD day (Oak Room is closed) 1st July 2022

End of Summer Term (Oak Room)- 19th July 2022



Wow Moments

Please keep sharing your child's special moments with us, we love hearing about their special achievements.