

It's been lovely to welcome everyone back recently as "lockdown" begins to ease. The children have returned enthusiastic and eager to learn and it's wonderful to hear happy children and feel like a full Nursery again! We've also welcomed some new children and families to our Nursery and they have settled well, are beginning to form friendships and work alongside each other. We'd like to thank parents for their support in settling new children. They are beginning to become more independent and make their own choices. We would like to thank parents for all their encouragement in settling children into different bubble arrangements. Since the children have returned we have been evolving projects based around the children's interests and fascinations. As we have all lived through another restricted period of time we have become interested in their perspectives and views of the world. Thank you for all the interesting photographs you sent in of different views from your homes. They have generated a lot of discussions and we used the idea of looking closely and focusing, to find details and patterns in our environment. This developed into looking at different views of ourselves and taking photographs of the children faces from the side, front and back. The children used their photographs on the iPad to draw a side view self-portrait which was very tricky and really challenges their perceived view of what their face should look like.

### Lunch Club

We'd just like to remind parents to send a healthy lunch for their child. No products containing nuts and no drinks, including smoothie style cartons. We ask that you don't provide too much food in their lunch boxes as the children only have 30 minutes to eat. Grapes, tomatoes and sausages must be cut up lengthways as there have been a number of incidents in the media of children choking on grapes.



### Baby & Toddler Music Groups

After Easter, we're re-opening our weekly music group for families with babies & toddlers. Visit our Facebook page for all the details.

### Remote learning

Thank you to all our parents and carers who have supported with the remote learning over the last term. We really hope you have enjoyed sharing some of the learning opportunities, activities and experiences we have posted with your children. The staff in Main Nursery and Nurture Nursery have very much enjoyed seeing your child's responses. The comments and photos you have shared have been wonderful and it has been great for your child's keyworker to have an insight into what you have been enjoying at home in your families.

After Easter we will continue to post a weekly activity.

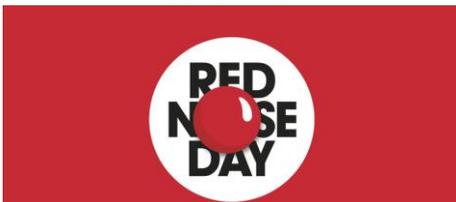


### Living Eggs

A big thank you to everyone who has donated to our Living Eggs project. The great news is that we've raised enough money to be able to have two sets of eggs for the children to enjoy. Living Eggs is an ethical chick hatching project which involves 'live' incubated eggs being brought into the school for two weeks. During that time children will get to see the chicks hatch and grow! Children will get the chance to hold the chicks and to undertake lots of creative activities around the subject of 'growth and change'. It's a very special experience for everyone and we've received incredibly positive feedback about it from parents/carers in the past. The eggs will arrive on Mon 26 April.

### Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who wore bright clothes to School for Red Nose Day. We raised £85.00, so thank you for all your kind donations.



### Places for September 2021

We have some places still available for September 2021 in our Nurture Nursery & Main Nursery. So please spread the word to any family/friends who might be interested.

### Student placement

Thanks to Molly for all her support, especially with Red group. She leaves us this week to go on her summer teaching placement. We wish her all the best.

### IMPORTANT DIARY DATES 2020/21

(new dates listed in **red**; Nursery closures listed in **yellow**)

**Spring term dates: Monday 4 January - Thursday 1 April 2021**

Bank Holiday - Friday 2 April

**Summer term dates: Monday 19 April - Wednesday 21 July 2021**

Living Eggs arrive: Monday 26 April for 2 weeks

Bank Holiday: Monday 3 May & Monday 31 May 2021

Summer half term: Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June 2021

**Teacher Training Day - Monday 7 June** (no Nursery School or Nurture Nursery for children)

School photos: Monday 21 June 2021

**Open Day for new 2021 cohort of children - Wednesday 14 July** (no Nursery School or Nurture Nursery for children)

Last day of term - Wednesday 21 July 2021

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