

Seaton House Nursery newsletter.

For the week beginning: 26th June 2017

What we have been doing this week:

This week at Nursery we have been thinking about travel and transport. The children have been moving in different ways outside, and trying to keep cool! We have found out about different types of vehicles and investigated which types of transport we can see outside the Nursery. Rabbit class did a survey of car colour and the most common colour was black. The children have been doing observational drawings of scooters and bikes to develop their close observational skills and pencil control. We have also been using the large vehicles in paint to create patterns. In the small world area the children have used large sheets of paper to create their own road mats and in the construction area we have been making vehicles using a variety of construction resources. In Rabbit class our story focus this week has been 'Giraffes can't Dance' which is a wonderful story about us all being different and each having our own talents. We used this to start a discussion about what we can do that we are proud of and had some fantastic examples given. The children also wrote simple sentences to explain what they can do and these are displayed in the new Reception classroom.

The girls moving on to our Reception class had a second visit this week and enjoyed looking at the new uniform and meeting Mrs Hammond. It was also lovely to have an opportunity to talk about arrangements for September and answer questions. If you have any further questions please come in and see me or send me an email.

Next week:

Next week we are very excited about our trip to Ladyland farm on Wednesday. Unless the weather changes dramatically the children should wear trainers or comfortable shoes they can climb in, boots will not be needed. Please make sure sunscreen is applied and your child has a named sun hat. All children will need a named water bottle and packed lunch. The farm has asked that lunches be in a lunch box/bag rather than carrier bag. Please do not send any extra boxes, pots or cutlery as these are easily lost. The children will be doing some investigating to become experts about farm animals in small groups and they will share this information with the rest of the class at carpet time. After the farm trip the children will be drawing and painting their favourite farm animal and helping to make a book about our trip.

In Rabbit class we are up dating our phonic assessments and will send home a summary of where your child is now and what you could do to support them further over the summer. This will come home on Friday.

Rabbit class reports: please return report slips and Learning Journeys on Monday 26th June.

Hedgehog class: Review sheets and learning journeys will come home on Friday 30th June. Please return the learning journey on Monday 3rd June. If you have not signed up for your meeting please see the time slots in the studio.

Diary Dates:

Visit to Ladyland Farm: 28/6/17 all day

Review report meetings for Lower Nursery parents: Week beginning 3/7/17 (time slots will be available at the start of the session and 12-1pm)

Reception visit: 10/7/17

Graduation Day. All parents are invited to come and share in the celebration. The children will all be sharing some songs and rhymes we have been learning. The children in Rabbit class will also receive a graduation certificate from Mrs Morrison. Normal collection at 12 noon: **12th July**

End of term: 12 noon on 13th July.

Happy Birthday
in June to:



Sophia, T 2nd
Zach 17th
Noah 17th

Summer fair:

We are looking forward to seeing as many families as possible at the summer fair on Saturday and we are hoping for the good weather to continue!

Questionnaires:

If you have returned your questionnaire thank you very much.

If you have a questionnaire at home we would really appreciate your comments.

Please return questionnaires by Friday 30th June.

Thank you for your support.

Ideas to try at home:

- Find out facts about your favourite farm animal and bring them in to share.
- Make a mask of your favourite farm animal.
- Write a list of the food you would like to take in your packed lunch.
- How many animals can you think of with 2 legs; 4 legs; wings; hooves?

On Graduation day we will be having a party for the children. We are going to hire a bouncy castle for the party and this will be put up in the Nursery garden for the morning. Adults will supervise the bouncy castle at all times and we will limit the numbers on it at any one time. We will also be having an ice-lolly (not while on the bouncy castle!) Please let me know if you have any concerns or would like to ask any questions.

