

Seaton House Nursery newsletter.

Week ending: 15/09/17.

What we have been doing this week:

This week we have been sharing the All About Me information sheets and talking about what we like doing. After an extensive voting system Rabbits class have decided on the name Rosie for their class mascot and the children have been busy writing messages and drawing pictures for her. Other activities for Rabbits class have included playing Guess Who using descriptive language to describe different animals, retelling the story of 'Peace at Last' in small groups and going around the Nursery listening for different sounds, number rhymes and games and hunting for numbers in the environment. Phonics activities have included singing rhyming songs and encouraging the children to match rhyming objects. Activities with Hedgehogs have continued to focus on settling the children in and reinforcing the Golden Rules as they play. Hedgehogs have also enjoyed taking part in ring games and music sessions using the instruments.

This week a group of children have been introduced to the Nature Garden outside. The rest of the children will be introduced to it over the next two weeks meaning that your child will take part every third week, on a rota basis. Information about this area will come home in your child's book bag. Mrs Oldroyd would be grateful for any interesting natural items (e.g. conkers, acorns, very large pine cones) that can be used in the Nature Garden sessions. If you find anything interesting while out and about at the weekend, please bring it in!

What we have planned:

Next week we will be talking about ourselves and describing our features. The Rabbits children will build on the work from this week and think of 3 sentences to describe themselves as clues for others to guess. They will also be creating some self portraits using a variety of media. In Rabbits the story focus next week is 'Bucket Full of Happiness', They will be talking about what makes them happy and how they can make others happy. The mathematics focus next week will be on using mathematical language to compare sizes. **The mathematical language will be: tall/er/est, short/er/est, big/ger/gest, small/er/est, long/er/est,** This will be developed through a variety of activities including rolling snakes in the playdough and hunting objects outside and comparing them. Alongside this we will continue to reinforce number skills and counting.

Activities for Hedgehogs next week will include looking at themselves in the mirror and describing their features. They will also be taking part in a Nature Garden session.

Scooter Training On Wednesday 27th September **Rabbits class** will be having a scooter training morning. (Please see separate letter). They will be talking about safety, learning skills and playing some simple games. Please could any scooters that are brought in be clearly labelled with your child's name.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Week beginning 18th September Settling in meetings for new children (a list of times will be put up on a board outside on Monday 11th September)

22nd September MacMillan Coffee Morning (at the main school)

27th September Scooter Training - Rabbits class (children will need to bring in their scooter from home for the morning session)

18th October - Individual school photos

19th October Nursery Harvest celebration 9.15 am

8th November - Rabbits class visit to Banstead Library

Week beginning 13th November: Week of Upper Nursery parent meetings

15th November Drama workshop

Week beginning 20th November Week of Lower Nursery parent meetings

A letter will come home nearer the time, for you to select a time slot.

Chicken Pox

Please note there is a case of Chicken Pox in the Nursery

Happy birthday to:



Tazkiyah – 10th September

India – 22nd September

Dulcie – 23rd September

Tina – 27th September

Martha – 27th September

Reminders:

Please **do not** bring in foods containing nuts, sesame seeds or sesame oil as there is a child in the Nursery who has a severe allergy to these ingredients. This includes foods such as hummus and Pesto. Thank you