

Newsletter – Spring 2 term

We have a busy half-term planned and would like to share with you some of the exciting things happening within nursery and important dates for your diaries.

As we move into our next half term we will hopefully see some sunshine and signs of Spring.

Staff Training- Wednesday 6th March 2024

Nursery will close to all children at 4pm on Wednesday 6th March to allow for important staff training to take place. Please ensure your child is collected on or before this time. Thank you.

Mothers day events to be held in school: **For the special lady in my life**

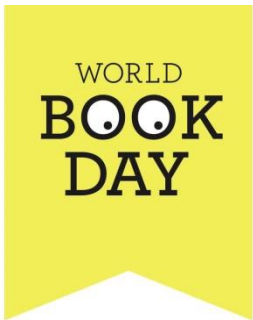
Friday 8th March - For children within our 0-3 provision of Nursery we ask that one special and significant person joins your child during the hours of **10:00-11:00 or 2:30-3:30** where you can share some time together with your child taking part in some activities and having a nice treat to eat.

Monday 11th March - For children within our main nursery we ask that one special and significant person joins your child during the hours of **10:00-11:00 or 2:30-3:30** where you can share some time together with your child taking part in some activities and having a nice treat to eat.

World Book day – 7th March 2024

We are **not** asking anyone to dress up, we are aware we are in a cost of living crisis and for us World Book day is not about spending money on costumes it is about sharing stories and instilling a love of reading. Staff will share their favourite stories from their childhood with children in nursery and if your child has a favourite story/book that they would like to share with us they can bring it along to nursery. Please make sure you have your child's name in the book.

We are asking that you take time over the week to **share a story with your child**, this could be a story from a book or a story that is developed by your own imagination. This is something we have been working on in nursery. We ask that you **share this story in a 'funny' or 'unusual' place** and send us a photograph of this special occasion via see saw. You might sit in the bath, make a camp or climb a tree whilst sharing a story.



Atelier family workshop will be held for main nursery on Thursday 26th March. This is an opportunity for you to access our provision and explore the space and activities with your child. We ask for one adult only due to the space available.

9:00 – 10:00 Laura's group. Afternoon group come along for the session before returning for your usual afternoon session.

10:15 – 11:15 – Mrita and Kathryn's group

1:45 -2:45 – Caitlin's group

2:30 – 3:30 - Molly's group

Newsletter

We are excited to welcome all of our new children and parents to Houghton and were pleased to say hello to our returning children. We have a fun filled first half term. We would like to share with you some of the exciting things we have planned so far.

Book Fair

The book fair will be arriving in school within the main entrance porch of nursery on **Thursday 7th March**. The book fair will remain in Nursery for a whole week and if you would like to you can look at and choose to purchase a book of your choice. We will have QR codes in the main entrance and you can scan the code to pay for your chosen book. We cannot take cash for the books you need a credit/bank card or a bank transfer for payment.



Living Eggs

Main Nursery will be welcoming living eggs Monday 18th March for the following two weeks.



Makaton Workshop

Tuesday 19th March at: 2:00 pm

This is for parents only to learn more about signs and symbols of Makaton. We will offer you key tips and advice on some simple signs to accompany basic vocabulary.

Mid-Point Parent-Key worker meetings

This is an opportunity for you to have a chat with your child's keyworker about your child's development and learning.

Please see the following dates and await an invitation from your child's key worker via See-Saw.

Sarah (nest) Thursday 14th March

Elizabeth (nest) Friday 15th March

Sara (den) Monday 18th March

Hayley (den) Tuesday 19th March

Julie (den) 19th March

Kathryn and Mrita (main nursery) Wednesday 20th March

Julie (nest) 21st March

Molly (main nursery) Monday 25th March

Becka (den) Tuesday 26th March

Caitlin (main nursery) Wednesday 27th March

Laura (main nursery) Thursday 28th March

Could we please remind parents and family members that our car park is for our staff.

Nursery reopens Monday 15th April 2024 and the last day of this half-term will be Thursday 28th March

Nursery will be open to children who attend all year round between Tuesday 2nd April and Friday 12th April.