

Emerald Class Newsletter

January 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and a happy new year. We are pleased to welcome a new child to Emerald class.

We continue to have a play based approach to learning, teaching the children as they play, with themes based around the seasons of the year. I have included a list of this term's themes at the bottom of this newsletter. As part of this we have a nature table in the classroom with items based on the time of year for children to explore. We welcome children bringing in things for the nature table.

In addition to the play based learning, we have continue to have daily pre-reading session for the children which consists of listening to sounds, including musical sounds and environmental sounds, exploring rhyme, rhythm and alliteration. We also have story time and/or singing at the end of the morning and.

Children's Profiles

The children have enjoyed looking at their work and photographs of themselves in the 'special books.' Don't forget, you are welcome to come in and look your child's book before or after school and during parents' consultations. We will continue to use Class Dojo for communication, including photographs of them playing.

PE

PE is on a Tuesday morning. In addition, this half term there will be a fun swim session for the nursery children on Friday mornings.

Library Books

The children will be given the opportunity to take home and change a school library book on a Friday.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has their NAMED water bottle in school every day. The water bottles should contain plain water. However, if your child will only drink squash we suggest that you try to gradually dilute it so that, hopefully, they will eventually be drinking water. Please talk to us if there is a problem with this.

Clothing

Please, please, please can you ensure that all of your child's uniform is clearly named. It is very difficult for us to ensure children are reunited with their belongings if they are unnamed.

Jane Stringall
Class Teacher

Week 1	New year
Week 2	Moss
Week 3	Robins
Week 4	Ice
Week 5	Mud
Week 6	Rocks
Week 7	Worms
Week 8	Rain
Week 9	Rainbows
Week 10	Beetles
Week 11	Baby Animals/Ramadan
Week 12	Beans/Easter