

St. John's Mead Nursery Curriculum Newsletter Term 6

Welcome back to the summer term, we hope that you had a relaxing half term break. We have lots of things to look forward to this term.

The Nursery Sports Day and Family Picnic will take place on Friday 14th June. Following our races, we would like to invite the whole family to bring in lunch and join us in the garden for a picnic.

We will be doing lots of activities with the Reception classes over the next few weeks to prepare our reception starters for their next step. The Reception teachers will be sharing stories. We will be visiting the reception classrooms and having joint forest schools sessions to name just a few of the activities planned.

Those children moving on to other schools will also be invited to visit their new classes, and we usually have visits from their Reception teachers at some point during the term.

Finally, on the last day of term we would like to invite all our children to our end of year Summer Party. How has that come round so quickly? If the weather is good we will have lots of water play, paddling pools, water squirters and lots of fun, so please send in swimwear and a towel. If your child does not usually attend on a Friday we would still love to see them.



Getting Ready for School

You may be wondering if there are any additional ways in which you can support your child if they are starting school in September.

Here are some tips from our Reception class teachers:

- Encourage your child to persist through mistakes.
- Encourage your child to use a knife and fork to eat independently.
- Promote excitement and be really positive about starting school to encourage positive separation.

Dates to Remember

- Friday 14th June
Nursery Sports Day and Family Picnic, 11.15am
- Thursday 20th June
Pirate Wow Day with Reception
- Saturday 6th July PTA Summer Fair
- Friday 19th July
Summer Party, 10-11.30am
- Friday 19th July Last day of term for children
- Monday 4th September
First day of Term 1 for children

Pirate Wow Day

We will come together with the Reception classes and learn all about pirates on Thursday 20th July, through pirate stories, sea shanties and poems. The children will be scientists exploring floating and sinking, and being explorers by following directions on a map. Pirate fancy dress is most welcome!



Warmer Weather

With temperatures hopefully rising, we are looking forward to lots of outdoor learning in the summer sunshine.

To keep your children safe at Nursery, please can we ask that children wear t-shirts that cover their shoulders, and bring a named sunhat and water bottle every day.

We would also like to ask that children have sun cream applied before Nursery starts. Please also think about choosing a sun cream that will last all of the hours they are in Nursery each day. Reapplication can take a long time for a whole class.

We ask that children **do not** wear open toed sandals, because they do not provide adequate protection when the children are on ride-on toys and in the woods.