

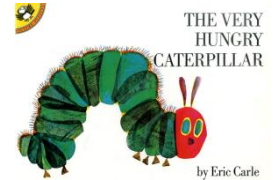
Abbey Green

Nursery School and Children's Centre

All Different, All Special, All Equal

Families Newsletter for Nursery- Summer Term 1

Next half term we will start to focus on our core story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar.' You can see overleaf for a selection of activities we will be learning in nursery and how you can help at home.



We will continue to learn the action to a new Makaton sign and revisit the signs we have already learned. You can help practise these signs at home too.

Each week you will find a new sign displayed at the entrance and on the Blue Room door. We will also display what we will be learning each week in Blue Room and how you can help at home.

Your child will be allocated a keyworker who will help to ensure that your child's care is tailored to meet their individual needs and help the child become familiar with the setting. They offer a settled relationship for the child and build a relationship with their parents and carers. Then each term the keyworker will discuss with you your child's play, interests, progress and next steps in their learning. **Please see the keyworker display located in the cloakroom in Blue Room.**

If you would like to view the early year's curriculum it can be found on the internet at <http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf>

Just a few reminders - Morning nursery registration is at **8.45am to 9.15am** and nursery finishes at **11.45am**. Afternoon nursery registration is at **12.15pm to 12.45pm** and nursery finishes at **3.15pm**. Please make sure your child is at nursery on time and that he/she is collected promptly. We will only dismiss your child to parents or other adults over 16 of whom we have been informed.

Please remember to inform school of any change of address, home telephone number, mobile telephone number or any other emergency contact information.

You can contact school in the following ways:

Telephone: 01274 722070

Fax: 01274 743926

Email: office@abbeygreen.org

It would be helpful if you would ensure your child(ren) have a good night sleep and have breakfast/lunch so they are ready for their session at nursery. We provide a light snack at nursery. **Snack money** will be £3 collected each half term.

Also share a book with your child for a **minimum** of 10 minutes **every day**. You can borrow books from our Nursery library in the entrance.

We look forward to seeing you after Easter. Have a lovely break!

Blue Group Families Newsletter

Summer Term 1 (Monday 16th April 2018 - Friday 25th May 2018)

Area of the Curriculum	What the children will be learning in nursery	How can Parents help
Personal, social and emotional development	Confidently talk to other children when playing and will communicate freely about own home and community. Interested in others' play and start to join in.	At home share photos e.g. of special times for the family e.g. birthdays, weddings, holidays and talk about the people and the place. Ask your child who, what where questions and why, how questions about the photos e.g. Who is that? How did we get there? Play games encouraging taking turns, sharing.
Physical development	Begin to use tripod grip Practice drawing lines and circles using gross motor skills.	Provide pens, paper and pencils at home for them to draw and make marks and help them learn how to hold a pen.
Communication and language	To listen to the story with increasing attention and recall and fill in missing words, repeat phrases/refrains Begin to understand how and why.	Read the story at home ask your child questions and encourage them to talk about what happens next? See: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=_4HI7q38VmQ Challenge further thinking by asking how and why questions during play and daily routines at home. E.g. How did you make that? Why is it cold? Etc.
Literacy	Distinguish between marks they make Hold books correctly, turn pages and look at books independently	Look at marks, signs and symbols in the environment and talk about what they represent. Read with your child for a minimum of 10 minutes every day . You can borrow books from our Nursery library in the entrance. Please speak to a member of staff in Blue Group.
Mathematics	Learn numerals through our core story	Visit Cbeebies numtums http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/numtums-numtum1 Count that number of e.g. steps, cushions, spoons etc. at home.
Understanding the world	Observing growth and change over time. Looking at how a caterpillar changes into butterfly	Visit https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=LIwEjdO_TL8 and see the caterpillar change to a butterfly. Plant seeds and watch them grow and change over time from seed to plant with leaves, petals, etc.
Expressive arts and design	Pretend one object represents another and use representation to communicate e.g rolling a long piece of play dough and saying it's a worm and Drawing a line and say that's a butterfly.	Make play dough at home and let your child create what they want. Show an in interest by encouraging them to talk about what they have created. (Play dough recipe attached)