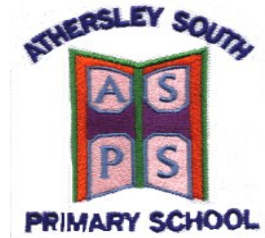


Nursery Newsletter

Issue 2

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What a wonderful first term we have had so far this year! All of our new children have now settled in well and are aware of all our rule and routines. It has been a pleasure to see them all grow in confidence since September and make new friends.

Below is a list of books we have been reading this term. We have heard lots of new vocabulary in these stories and talked about the meaning of different words. If you would like to read them again at home many are available from your local library or on YouTube.

Story songs

- Car, Car, Truck, Jeep by Nick Sharratt and Katarina Charman
- Rumble, Rumble Dinosaur by Nick Sharratt and Katarina Charman
- The Whales on the Bus by Nick Sharratt and Katarina Charman
- Go, Go, Pirate Boat by Nick Sharratt and Katarina Charman

Autumn Stories

- Leaf Man by Lois Ehlert
- The Leaf Thief by Alice Hemming
- It Was a Cold Dark Night by Tim Hopgood
- Own Babies by Martin Waddell

Other stories

- What the Ladybird Heard by Julia Donaldson and Lydia Monks

Rhymes

We have also been singing lots and lots of rhymes. They are really good for helping us learn new vocabulary, patterns of language and sentences. Here are some we have been singing, ask your child to sing their favourites for you and the funny versions we have learnt.

- Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star
- Humpty Dumpty
- Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Rhymes continued...

- Baa, Baa, Black Sheep
- I'm a Little Hedgehog
- Autumn Colours

Maths

This term in maths we have been very busy learning the names for different colours, sorting by size, colour and shape, looking at sorting rules and spotting mistakes, matching shapes, looking at similarities and differences between sorted objects and explaining how we know things. Recently we have been looking at numbers 1 and 2. Every week we learn a new maths rhyme. Below are the rhymes we have learnt so far, have a go at singing them at home.

- 1 2 3 4 5 Once I caught a Fish Alive
- 1 Potato, 2 Potato
- 5 Little Speckled Frogs
- 5 Little Ducks
- 5 Currant Buns
- 5 Fat Sausages
- 1 Finger, 1 Thumb
- 1, 2 Buckle my Shoe
- 2 Little Dickie Birds (w.c 18.12.23)

Home-School Communication—Tapestry

Thank you to those of you who have signed up to our Tapestry system. If you are experiencing any problems please speak to a member of staff. We have heard some Tapestry emails have gone straight to junk inbox folders so please check there if you still haven't received an email from Tapestry. Over the next few weeks we will be sending out a snapshot of each child's learning journey on Tapestry for you to see. We hope you will enjoy looking at all the exciting things your child does with us during their time at nursery. Please feel free to add your own photos/comments to your child's file for us to see, we love to see what all our children get up to outside nursery.

Bertie & Bobby Bear

Thank you to everyone who has given Bertie or Bobby Bear a home for the weekend so far. We have loved sharing all your photos with the class and talking about what they have spent the weekend doing. We appreciate all the effort you have put in to their diaries. If your child has not yet had a turn don't worry, Bertie and Bobby will still be visiting houses at the weekend after the holidays.

Winter Weather

January will continue to give us some very cold weather. Please make sure your child brings a warm coat to nursery everyday. If they bring hats, scarves and gloves please make sure they are clearly labelled with your child's name to avoid any confusion.

School Website—FI Blog

The FI blog page on the school website is now up and running. We will be adding photos over the next half term to keep you updated on our learning. We hope you will love finding out what we have been doing each week.

FI Party Reminder

FI will be having a party in nursery on Thursday 21st December. Your child does not need to bring anything but may dress in party clothes if they wish. If you have not had an email about this please check your email address at the school office.

Staffing

Just a reminder that on Monday, Tuesday and alternate Wednesdays Mrs Hale is the class teacher in nursery. On Thursday, Friday and alternate Wednesdays Mrs Lees is the class teacher in nursery. Miss Nock (EYFS TA) works in nursery all week. You may have also noticed Miss Mallet (LSA) and Miss Attree (part time Barnsley College Student) who have been working in nursery this term.

Outdoor Equipment

Please do not let your children play on or with the EYFS equipment in playground when waiting for nursery to begin/end. Lots of things are getting broken and lost as they are playing unsupervised and this is unfair on the children in our setting. Thank you for your understanding.

Lastly, thank you to all our families for your continued support this term. We hope you have a lovely school holiday and would like to wish those of you who celebrate it a very Merry Christmas. We look forward to seeing you again in the new year for some more fantastic learning.

The FI Team