

**Burlington Infant and Nursery School
Summer Term Newsletter
April 2021**



We hope you all had a good Easter break. Exciting news! During the holidays the Nursery has had a new purpose built covered sand pit and a large canopy installed to allow outside play in all weathers. The tulip bulbs we planted last Autumn have come out too!

<p style="text-align: center;">New all weather canopy</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">New natural resources</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">New sandpit</p>

Bring a plant to school

Last Autumn the children all brought a plant to school to look after. It has been a huge success and the Nursery looks great! We would now like every child to bring a small vegetable plant or packet of seeds to grow at school. We have bought a new greenhouse and have vegetable troughs ready for the children to plant them in. Tomatoes, cucumbers, watercress, salad leaves, beans, peas, leeks, onions, peppers, herbs, garlic or any other plant would be great! They are readily available in Wilkos, B&Q, supermarkets and Garden Centres. Please bring them by Monday 26th April. Thank you!



Keeping Healthy and clothing

Now it is sunny please bring a sunhat and water bottle to every day and apply sun cream before school. If you would like your child to reapply sun cream please send in a named bottle. We can put the cream on your child's arms and legs but they need to rub it in themselves. The water play, sand play and mud kitchen are now all open. It is likely your child will get messy so please send them in wearing old clothes. Please ensure they do not wear open toed sandals and they always have a change of clothes in their bag. If your child is still in nappies please put some spare nappies and wipes in too. Please remember if your child or anyone in your family has a temperature, cough or loss of taste/smell please do not bring them to Nursery and let the office know as soon as possible.



Reading Books and Bugclub

We will soon be allocating reading books and a Reading Record. For most children these will be the lilac banded books that have no words. Please spend time 'reading' the book with your child and talking about the pictures and the story. Let us know in the Reading Record how they have been getting on! To help you with this Mrs Davies will be holding an 'Early Reading Parent Talk' on zoom on 6th May at 10am. It will also be recorded and available on the school website thereafter. The zoom code and login is:



Parent Workshop - Early Reading with Mrs Davies
May 6, 2021 10 am

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/92272131742?pwd=Ukl5VWsyYzY5U2IrOU5RZz09>

Meeting ID: 922 7213 1742
Passcode: 990174

Please remember BugClub is still available and is an excellent resource.

Please bring in a Burlington Infant and Nursery School blue book bag to put the books in. You can buy a Burlington Book bag from PMG Schoolwear.

<https://www.pmgsschoolwear.co.uk/> Alternatively the school office has limited stock of nearly new book bags for £2 each.

Curriculum

This half term our learning is based on the books *Errol's Garden* and *A Mouse Called Julien*. In the last week of the half term we will be celebrating Around the World Week where we learn about a chosen country.

<p>English Our key texts are <i>Errol's Garden</i> and <i>A Mouse Called Julien</i></p> <p>We focus on asking and answering questions about books.</p> <p>We will encourage children to speak in more complex sentences using a wider range of vocabulary.</p> <p>There will be lots of mark making opportunities and we practise writing some letters, numbers and our names.</p>	<p>Phonics Phase 1- Aspect 6 Voice Sounds</p> <p><i>We notice how our mouths move to make lots of different sounds.</i></p> <p>Phase 1-Aspect 7 <i>Oral segmenting & blending. Breaking down words into their sounds ie cat = c- a-t.</i></p> <p><i>We learn the alphabet song.</i></p>	<p>Maths We practise counting backwards and forwards.</p> <p>We learn to recognise and write numbers, matching them to the correct quantity.</p> <p>We compare two or more groups, saying when we have the same number.</p> <p>We recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes in the environment.</p> <p>We order objects by length and height.</p>	<p>The World <i>We look for the signs of Summer.</i></p> <p><i>Celebrating a chosen country in Around the World Week.</i></p> <p>We learn about woodland animals.</p> <p>We plant and grow vegetables.</p> <p>We play with technological toys with knobs or pulleys as well as child friendly cameras, mobile phones and recording devices.</p>	<p>PSED Celebrating world environment day.</p> <p>Growing and caring for plants outside.</p> <p>Learning to problem-solve.</p> <p>Talking with our friends and trying to negotiate.</p>	<p>Art/Craft/Music/PD <i>Use a pencil, scissors, and paintbrushes with correct grip.</i></p> <p>Making music and dancing inside and outside. .</p> <p>Describing and making things with different textures.</p> <p>Moving in different ways including skipping and hopping.</p> <p>We talk about what happens to our bodies after exercise.</p>
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Thank you as always for your support.

The Nursery Team