



Finches

Summer Term 1

April/ May 2024

Finches News

Hello everyone and welcome to the summer term, the final term of this academic year! We hope everyone had a lovely break and you were all able to enjoy some family time. We are excited for another term of amazing learning and to be working with you all closely again.

We are particularly excited to welcome our new stick insects and to start our growing projects. We will be planting beans, sunflowers, cress and tomatoes. The children will use their home-grown produce later on this term in their cooking.

As always, we love to take part in whole school events too, and this term we are looking forward to celebrating Earth Day, Pause Day, and Art Week alongside the rest of the school community.

We can't wait to share this term with you all and thank you in advance for your support.

Miss Allen, Miss Beardsley, Mrs Waites, Miss Baker.



Learning Owl Behaviours

Collaboration, Challenge, Perseverance

Optimism, Pride, Independence

Managing Distractions

Rainbow Promise Values

Love, Forgiveness, Honesty

Patience, Support, Respect

Kindness, Joy, Peace

Reminders

Sun hats: As the weather starts to warm up, please remember to send a named sun hat each day.

Sun cream: It would be wise this term to apply long-lasting sun cream to your child before they come to Nursery. Children can bring their own sun cream to Nursery in order to reapply it themselves. Please ensure any sun cream is named.

Coats/Cardigans/Jumpers: Please remember to check the weather, and bring a coat/cardigan/jumper for your child on days particularly when the weather may be cooler or forecast to rain.

Water bottles: Your child can help themselves to drinking water throughout the session so please remember to supply a named water bottle. Please also talk to your child about the importance of drinking.

Labels: Please remember to keep checking all items of clothing and any bags or bottles are named. We continue to find items that are not named. Let us know if you think you are missing something.

Jewellery: Jewellery should not be worn at school. Only stud earrings should be worn at any time.

Library: Please remember to bring book bags and library books to Nursery on a Monday. Each week your child will bring home a book from school to share.

Arrivals: If the Nursery gate is closed when you arrive, please use the doorbell on the fence. Thank you!



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Suggested Book List Summer 1

Jasper's Beanstalk by Nick Butterworth

Sam Plants a Sunflower by Kate Petty

Life Cycles: Seed to Sunflower by Camilla de la Bedoyere

Grow it by Georgie Birkett

Titch by Pat Hutchins

Once there were giants by Martin Waddell

I am growing by Mandy Suhr

Why Should I Brush My Teeth? By Katie Daynes

Important Dates

Monday 15th April

Start of Summer Term, Term 5 begins

Monday 22nd April

Earth Day and class photos

Tuesday 23rd April

St George's Day and Bilingualising re-starts
(for those who have re-booked)

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday, school closed

Friday 17th May

Pause Day

w/b Monday 20th May

Art Week

Friday 24th May

Last day of term, usual timings

Monday 3rd June

Summer Term, Term 6 begins

What can I do at home?

Support for teeth cleaning:

Brush Your teeth song

https://youtu.be/wCio_xVlgQ0

CBeebies 'My First Dentist'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GGJRR5RsalU>

Dr Ranj—How to Care for Teeth, age 0—3

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=owbp5F0K45c>

Dr Ranj—How to Care for Teeth, age 3-6

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IQE4xxk1r5g&t=9s>

NHS Advice

[https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-teeth-and-gums/
taking-care-of-childrens-teeth/](https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-teeth-and-gums/taking-care-of-childrens-teeth/)

Tapestry

Just a reminder that we do use Tapestry to send regular updates and messages about things that are happening at school, so please make sure you are checking regularly .

End of the Year

Wednesday 17th July 2024
Nursery last day, usual timings.

Please note Nursery finish for the summer slightly earlier than the rest of the school.

Nursery's last day is Wednesday 17th July 2024. The Nursery is then open for new children transition only on Thursday and Friday that week.

The rest of the school finish on Friday 19th July at 1.30pm.



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Summer Term 1 Planning: April/May 2024

Nursery Summer Term 1: One, Two, Three, Let's Grow

Week	Key Topics for Learning	Upcoming Dates for Diary
Week 1	Key text: 'Jasper's Beanstalk' Science investigation: Beans	BilinguaSing re-starts (for those who have re-booked) Stick Insects arrive
Week 2	Key text: 'Sam Plants a Sunflower' Science investigation: Sunflowers	Monday 22 nd April - class photos Monday 22 nd April - Earth Day Tuesday 23 rd April - St George's Day
Week 3	Key text: 'Grow it' Science investigation: Cress	
Week 4	Key text: 'Titch' Science investigation: Healthy Living (including healthy eating and teeth)	Monday 6 th May - Bank Holiday
Week 5	Key text: 'Once There Were Giants' Science investigation: Baby photos Cooking: Home-grown Produce	Friday 17 th May - Pause Day
Week 6	Art Week When I Grow Up...	

Caring for living things - stick insects

