

# Finches

**Summer Term 1** 

April/ May 2025

# **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 start our growing projects. We will be planting beans, sunflowers, cress and cucumbers. The children will use their home-grown produce later on this term in their cooking. We will also be challenging you to take care of a sunflower at home and we would love to see how tall they can grow on Tapestry!

As always, we love to take part in whole school events too, and this term we are looking forward to celebrating Earth Day, St. George's Day, Pause Day and VE Day 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, Mrs Csiki.



#### **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

# 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/

# **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.

#### **Important Dates**

# **Tuesday 22nd April**

Start of Summer Term, Term 5 begins Earth Day

# Wednesday 23rd April

St. George's Day

# **Tuesday 29th April**

Bilinguasing starts (for those who have re-booked)

# **Monday 5th May**

May Bank Holiday, school closed

# **Thursday 8th May**

VE Day

# Friday 9th May

VE Day celebration picnic/see Tapestry for more information.

# Friday 16th May

Pause Day

# Friday 23rd May

Last day of term, usual timings

# **Monday 2nd June**

Summer Term, Term 6 begins

## **End of the Year**

Wednesday 16th July 2025 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 16th July 2025. The Nursery is then open for new children transition only on Thursday and Friday that week.

The rest of the school finish on Friday 18th July at 1.30pm.



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# **Summer Term 1 Planning: April/May 2025**

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

Week	Upcoming Dates for Diary	
Week	Key text: When Spring Comes'	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April – Earth Day
1	Earth Day	Wednesday 23rd April – St.
	St. George's Day	George's Day
	Science investigation: Planting	
	cucumber	
Week	Key text: 'Grow it'	Bilinguasing re-starts (for those
2	Science investigation: Planting cress	who have pre-paid).
	and beans.	
Week	Key text: 'Sam Plants a Sunflower'	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday
3	Science investigation: Sunflowers	Thursday 8th May – VE Day
	Cooking: Home-grown Produce	Friday 9th May – VE day picnic
Week	Science investigation: Healthy Living	Friday 16th May – Pause Day
4	Healthy eating	
Week	Science investigation: Baby photos	
5	Caring for our teeth	

