



# Nursery News Letter Spring 1



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I cannot believe we are already in Spring term! It is so lovely to see the children's happy faces back in school and to hear all about their time off. We have some new children joining us over the next couple of weeks. We are already so proud to see how welcoming the children are to the new children already.

## Learning in Nursery

Over the next half term, we will be learning about winter. We are so lucky to have been able to kick start this topic with so much real snow and ice. The children have loved exploring the ice outside.

### Talk for Writing

We will be learning the story of the Lost and Found. This is a story about a little boy who finds a penguin and tries to return him to his home. We will bring this to life with a trip to Lotherton Hall to see the penguins. Look out for pictures on Class dojo. In a couple of weeks, your child might even be able to remember the story to tell you as a bedtime story!

### Crew time

Each day, we spend a little time eating snack together in small groups. During this time, we spend time getting to know each other and building our relationships. We share our favourite stories, sing songs, play games and share our thoughts and feelings. It is our favourite time of the day!

## Cold weather

In Nursery, we play outside during all weathers (apart from in very extreme cases of ice or wind). The door is open during the day to offer the children a choice of whether they would like to play outside or not. Please can I ask that your child has a warm coat in school as well as a hat and gloves (clearly labelled with your child's name).

## Dates to Remember

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January- Deadline for Reception applications** (if your child is due to start Reception in September). Reception places will be offered by Leeds City Council on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April (if you applied online, you should receive an email).

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January- N2 trip to Lotherton Hall** (trip will happen during your child's normal nursery hours)

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March- N2 trip to Swithens Farm**

## Class dojo

Make sure you login to class dojo to see pictures of your child in Nursery and messages from the Nursery staff over the next half term.

Feel free to message Miss Lockwood through class dojo if you have any queries, but please be aware that we may not be able to reply straight away.

You can also contact the school office if you have any urgent queries.

## Nursery staff

This half term, we have had a change to our Nursery staff. Miss Lockwood will still be in Nursery Monday-Thursday and Miss Leary will be in on Fridays. The fantastic Miss Hill will still be with us every day. Mrs Davidson will now be helping out in Reception until her maternity leave begins. We are so thankful for all her help over the last half term. We are very happy to welcome Miss Benson to our Nursery team.