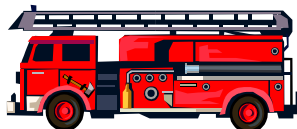




WEEKLY PARENT Information NEWSLETTER – Nursery 24 February 2014

MESSAGES

- **School Photographs** Thursday 27 for Meerkats, Friday 28 for Wolves, Panthers and Foxes
- **A huge thank you** to all the parents who came with us to visit the Fire Station last week. It was a great success and the children had a great morning filled with new experiences and learning.



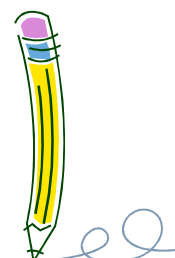
- **Head Lice!** Please can you be extra vigilant washing and brushing hair as head lice have made a recent appearance in the Nursery. If you need any advice about how best to prevent or treat head lice, please contact the school nurse at [i-vanderslagmolen@bisspuxi.com](mailto:i-vanderslagmolen@bisspuxi.com)
- A small request for any small boxes for junk modelling. i.e. smaller than breakfast cereal boxes. Thank you

**Learning Theme**

We will continue our learning theme of 'People Who Help Us' as we have learnt so much about the emergency services from our Fire Station Trip. Having begun our focus with the school community and people here who help us we will really look at the wider community of Police, Doctors in hospitals, paramedics and other people who help by providing services in the community for example: post men, traffic police, hairdressers, delivery men, shop assistants, bus drivers.

**Key Vocabulary:** help, service, community,

**Literacy:** We will be using photos of our trip to recall what we did and what we learned. The children will write captions for the pictures to be made into a class 'Big Book' of our trip. We will focus on the children ascribing meaning to the marks they make as they 'write' their captions. For those children who are ready, begin to look at the shapes of different letters in their emergent writing, particularly letters that are in their names.



**Key Vocabulary:** caption, write, letters.

**Phonics**

Singing rhymes, songs and listening to stories is a vital part of our on-going phonics work in the nursery. In small groups children will practise listening for rhyming words, identify words that start with the same sound and exploring words through repetition and rhythm. For those children that are ready to begin looking at single letters and their



sound (phoneme) and how it is written (grapheme) we will follow the 'Letters & Sounds' Phase 2 program beginning with the letters; s. & a

**Mathematics:** We will be focusing on weighing and measuring. Using balances to compare different objects and decide which is heavier or lighter. We will extend those children who are ready by ordering items by their weight.



**Key Vocabulary:** weigh, weight, heavy, heavier than, light, lighter than, balance, the same as, heaviest, lightest, balanced,

**Expressive Arts & Creativity:** Through our continuous provision the children will be able to draw, paint and model make to express their ideas about our learning theme. There will be lots of visual reference material for the children to see as well as role play areas with props for them to imaginatively play and recreate their experiences of people helping them.

**Key Vocabulary:** paint, draw, make, build, pretend. construct, represent, create, shape, assemble.

**Understanding of the World:** Through our role play areas and discussions with the children they will be asked to think about the wider community and think about others. We will be thinking about the vital roles different people play to keep us safe and well, to keep our roads clean and keep people moving around the city. We will ask the children what they think their community would be like if people didn't help each other in these ways.

**Mandarin** We will continue with different occupations in our community such as traffic police, hairdressers, shop assistants bus driver sales. What tools do they use and what are these tools for? Who do we need in different situations?

**Vocabulary:** 交警 traffic police(jiaojin), 美发师 hairdressers(meifashi), 快递员 delivery men(kuaidiyuan) 营业员, shop assistants(yinyeyuan), 司机 bus drivers(siji)

### Dutch

De kinderen hebben genoten van het filmfeestje. Ze hadden allemaal ontzettend veel geld opgehaald en op het feest werden dan ook grote stukken pizza geserveerd. Ook hebben we

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afgelopen vrijdag afscheid genomen van juf Kristina. De kinderen hadden een fotolijstje geknutseld met daarin hun eigen portretje. Zo kan juf Kristina ze niet vergeten

Please let us know if you have any comments, questions or concerns.

Many thanks for your continued support,

**The Nursery Team**