



WEEKLY PARENT Information NEWSLETTER – 15 September 2014

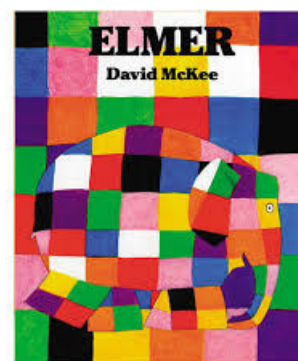
MESSAGES

- **Junk Modeling** - In Nursery, creative play is a huge part of our curriculum. Junk modeling is part of this and without the help of parents we can't quite keep the junk modeling bins full! So, please think of us before throwing any cereal boxes, shoe boxes, kitchen rolls, egg cartons etc. as your rubbish, is our treasure!

Learning Theme – All About Me

This week we will continue our theme All About Me, with a focus about being unique and special. We will introduce one of the children's all-time favourite stories 'Elmer'. It is a lovely story about Elmer, a patchwork elephant, who thinks everyone is laughing at him because he is different, so Elmer tries to make himself the same as all the other elephants...

We will be discussing with the children: Why did Elmer feel upset? What can we do to make our friends feel welcome? What makes us special?



Key Vocabulary: special, different, elephant, colours



Expressive Arts and Design

The children will create a large collaborative patchwork Elmer using lots of different resources, textures and colours. We will look closely at Elmer's different colours and explore how colours can be changed in the Rainbow Area.

Communication and Language

The children will have lots of fun playing in the jungle role play area with their friends. We will also read a selection of Elmer stories in small groups. The children will be encouraged to anticipate the key events and suggest how the story might end.

Dutch

Kleine muis zoekt een nieuwe huis. Zijn eigen holletje is te klein voor zijn grote, rode, sappige appel. Hij gaat bij verschillende holletjes kijken en tussendoor snoept hij van de appel. Geen enkel dier heeft plaats voor muis en zijn appel. Uiteindelijk komt muis uitgeput aan bij zijn eigen huis. Hé, de appel past nu wel in zijn hol! Het verhaal wordt elke dag voorgelezen om zinsconstructies via herhaling in te slijpen. Volgende week gaan we aandacht besteden aan het voorspellen van het verloop van het verhaal. Ook gaan we via memory de klankzuivere uitspraak van de /ui/ oefenen.

Many thanks for your continued support,

The Nursery Team