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THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL Puxi, Shanghai

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Messages

- We would appreciate your help in restocking our junk modeling resources: any egg cartons will be especially useful next week.
- On Thursday 19th March the school photographer will be taking individual and class photographs. If your child does not normally attend school on a Thursday but you would like their photo to be taken, you are welcome to attend the photo session with your child during the class slot. Please note the first session begins at 8.50am, so please ensure your child arrives promptly, before 8.45am.

Learning Theme of the week – <u>The Farm</u>: Where does our food come from?

Last week we thought about all the fruit and vegetables that we eat, and how it grows in the ground. It has been wonderful to see how some of our seeds and beans have sprouted over the last week and we are very excited to see what happens to our other plants too.

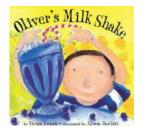


Next week we will change our focus to eggs and milk and find out where these products come from: Who makes milk? How will we get milk from the cow? Do any other animals make milk? What about eggs? Which animals produce the eggs that we buy from the shops? We will consider the answers to these and any other questions that the children have.

Understanding of the World

We will read the story of Oliver's Milkshake. The book tells a story of how Oliver goes to the farm with his Auntie, and picks fruit which he then uses to make a milkshake. This will inspire us to make our own milkshakes from a selection of fruit, and milk of course.

We will observe how the mixture changes as the ingredients blend together, and then we will taste the final product... yum.





We will also explore the properties of eggs, and investigate how eggs change when they are cooked. We will encourage the children to use their senses: touch, smell, feel, look and taste the eggs.

Expressive arts and design

Through our core provision the children will have the opportunity to paint, draw, print and construct. There will be eggs to decorate and we will observe how colours magically mix together using milk and soap.

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As we will be having lots of eggs in the classrooms, both real ones and pretend ones, we will explore some of their shape properties, for example, how do they roll, what shape does a half egg create when we print with it (a round circle), as well as counting eggs and using the egg cartons to sort and order eggs.

Dutch

Deze week hebben de kinderen het boek 'Mol wil de maan pakken' gelezen. Op basis van dit thema 'veraf en dichtbij' hebben we meer tegenstellingen geoefend zoals, recht-krom, zacht – hard, vierkant – rond, glad – ruw, zoet – zuur, lang – kort, dik – dun, open-dicht en groot – klein. Ook hebben we gedanst en gezongen op het liedje 'In de manenschijn'. De nadruk lag hierbij op de uitspraak van de /sch/. Het liedje is te beluisteren op Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6T2Jwy3divo.

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

Many thanks again.

The Pre Nursery Team.