



WEEKLY PARENT NEWSLETTER – Pre Nursery 02 March 2015

Messages

- **Swimming days** – it would be really helpful if the children could wear some comfortable clothes and shoes that are easy to take off and put on when we have swimming. We would recommend footless leggings and socks rather than tights with feet on our swimming day (Thursday)
- **Wellies and Waterproofs** - We are hoping to be outdoors as much as possible over the next few weeks, please remember to ensure your child has a pair of named rain boots in school as well as suitable wet weather clothing.
- **Spare clothes** needed – if you have any clothes, especially trousers that your children are not using anymore, could you please donate them to us for our Spare Clothes Cabinet? Thank you very much.
- **Charity Clothes Donation for River of Hearts** - The time of year has come again, with the change of seasons, to search through your wardrobes and identify any unwanted or unworn clothes for donation to River of Hearts. Clothes collection will commence on 16th March 2015 for the entire week and you can bring any donated clothes to the primary Reception. All clothes should be clean and in reasonable condition and bags or boxes labeled River of Hearts.
- **2nd Hand Uniform Sale** - On Tuesday 17 March we will be holding another 2nd hand uniform sale here at BISS Puxi run by our Second Hand Uniform Team. This term the sale will take place outside the EYFS area so please donate any unwanted, unused or unworn school uniform items from now until the event on 17 March. These items can be dropped off to the Primary Reception during the weeks running up to the sale. All clothes should be clean and in reasonable condition and bags or boxes labeled Uniform Sale.

Learning Theme of the week – The Farm

What a wonderful start to our new learning theme – the children have thrown themselves into our Farm theme, learning songs and animal noises with so much enthusiasm. Perhaps you have heard the songs being sung at home? We have certainly heard the refrain “e i e i o” many times at school! We will be continuing to learn new farm related songs this week, and continue with a focus on language, as well as counting and number concepts.

Personal Social and Emotional Development

Our adult focus for the week will be playing The Farmer in the Dell and other circle games with the children. We will encourage the children to take turns and to wait for their turn. We will also promote collaborative play and encourage children to include everybody and play fairly.

Communication and Language

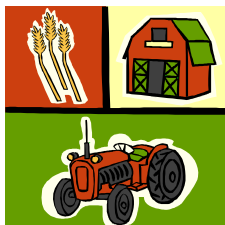
This week we will learn some rhymes that are about cows, pigs and horses. We will sing “The farmer’s in the Dell”, “Horsey Horsey, don’t you Stop”, and “This Little Piggy went to Market”. We will encourage children to listen to the rhymes, and to join in with the repeated refrains. We will also encourage the children to anticipate key events in the rhymes and to act out the rhymes.



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The children will be using a variety of materials to build their own farm. We will talk about what animals they would like to have on the farm and how to look after them. We will also have a range of sensory activities for the children to explore and investigate, for example, giving the pigs a mud bath, milking the cows (using rubber glove udders), and a range of hay, straw, and other natural materials.

Mandarin

We will introduce farm animals this week, animal stories and sing some animal songs.

**Vocabulary: rooster-ji, duck-ya zi, lamb-yang, pig-zhu, dog-gou, rabbit-tu zi
horse-ma, cow-niu.**

Dutch

We hebben de boeken van Karel kleed zich aan en Fien en Milo verkleden zich gelezen. De focus lag op het benoemen van de kledingstukken, een opsomming opnoemen en volgorde. Fijne vakantie!

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

Many thanks again.

The Pre Nursery Team.