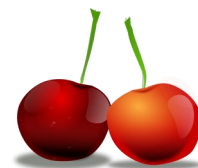
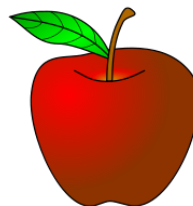




# Nursery News



## Summer term 1 2017

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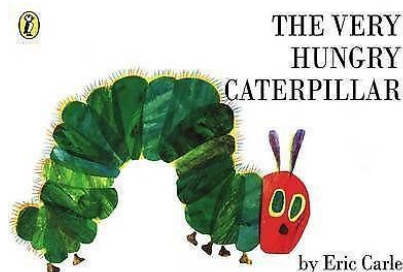
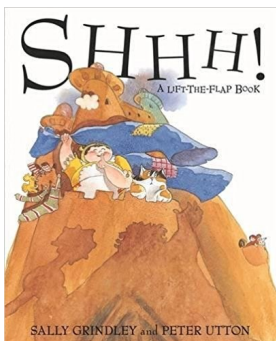
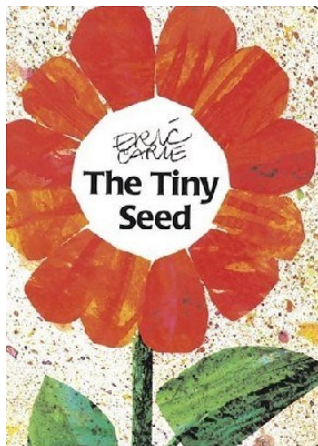
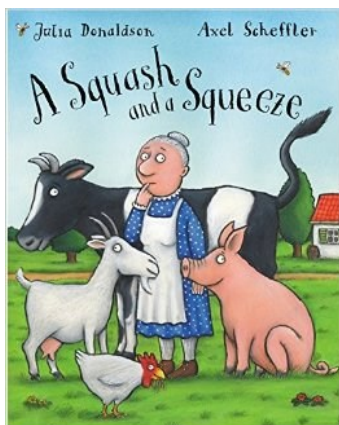
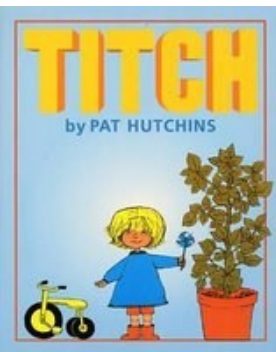
### Growing Up!

This topic has been chosen by the children and will focus on how things around us grow and change. To inspire and excite the children we have launched the topic with all the nursery children growing some cress during their Easter break. We hope the children have enjoyed caring for their cress and perhaps they have had fun tasting it as well! Through this topic we will also explore how we grow from babies to children and what we might be like when we are adults. We will discover how baby animals grow as well as lifecycles of plants and insects. We have also secured a trip to Morden Hall Park to go mini beast hunting—more details of this and the small cost involved can be found on the Summer term trip letter.

For week 2, we ask that all children bring in a baby photo of themselves. The children will be enjoying lots of fiction books related to the topic this half term. Titles include, 'Titch' by Pat Hutchins, 'Shhh' by Sally Grindley, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'The Tiny Seed' by Eric Carle, 'A Squash and a Squeeze' by Julia Donaldson as well as lots of songs and non-fiction texts about lifecycles, insects and baby animals!

Please let us know if you find any other great books at home or in the library that link to the topic and send them in to school for us to share!

Full details of the Medium Term planning, which details the learning and skills we will be teaching can be found on the school website.



## Dates to Remember

**Monday 1st May**- Bank Holiday-  
SCHOOL CLOSED

### Morden Hall Park Trip

**Wednesday 3rd May**—AM Nursery 10-11.30 am

Please can children be dropped at nursery at usual time but picked up from Morden Hall Park

**Wednesday 3rd May**—PM Nursery 12.30-2pm.

Please can children be dropped off at Morden Hall Park but picked up from school at the usual time.

### EYFS Sports Day

**Wednesday 17th May**

**AM session: 9.15 am**

**PM session: 1.45pm**

**Week 6: Monday 22nd May**— Whole school Science Day.

**Wednesday 24th May**— EYFS Summer time Ball—3pm-4.15m letter to follow with more details.

**Monday 29th May – Friday 3rd June.** Half Term. School closed all week.

**Monday 6th June**— School re-opens.

**Tuesday 7th June**—Class photographs

### EYFS Family Summer Trip 2017

**Wednesday 7th June**

Every year the EYFS hold a summer trip to an exciting location. This year we will be visiting Hobbledown!

For this trip we invite parents, younger siblings and any other family members to join us on the day out at a discounted rate to normal admission. Initial letter to book places will be coming home soon.

### Thank you!

Thank you all once again for the Sponsored Pedal Push money you all raised back in October 2016. We have e now had our four new bikes delivered and the children are thoroughly enjoying them.



We also wanted to say a big thank you for all the regular donations of recycled materials. The children love to make and build with all the things we throw away! Please keep all your donations coming.

### EYFS Sports Day

On **Wednesday 15th May 2017** we will be holding our Annual EYFS Sports fun day. This event involves the reception and nursery children competing in their house teams through a range of different sport style events. The activities are fun and some have a competitive element where the teams score points for their houses. Each child will be required to wear the colour that matches their house team on the day—if you do not have anything in the required colour please let us know as soon as possible as we can usually help with this. All children can come to school dressed in their school PE kit for this day; black shorts, house coloured T-shirt and trainers. **Please make sure you apply sun cream before sending them to school and ensure they have a clearly named bottle of water and a sun hat. The events will be held at 9.15am and 1.45pm. Parents of children who will be attending nursery all day can choose which session they would like to attend.**



### Reminders

Please note that all children who attend nursery should be fully toilet trained and able to manage themselves when using the toilets. Please dress children in clothing that is easy for them to take on and off. You do not need to provide spare clothes for children as we can provide them at nursery. However, donations are always welcome!

Now that children are settled into the nursery routine, could parents ensure swift drop offs into nursery once their child has put away their belongings. This gives more time for the children to explore the nursery activities with their friends and get involved in the learning opportunities.



### Summer Is Here!

Hopefully we are going to have another lovely warm summer!

Please ensure that sun cream is applied before the children come to nursery. For those children who attend nursery all day, if you would like your child to re-apply sun cream, the lotion must be sent into school in a named bottle and the children will be given time before lunch to apply this **themselves**. Please note staff cannot apply sun cream so please ensure your child is able to do this independently.

As the warmer weather arrives we also ask that all children should have a sun hat in school. Please ensure this is clearly named. Children without a sun hat will be asked to stay inside or in the shade during the session.

### P.E. Mondays

PE will continue to take place on a Monday. All children are required to take part in this session.

Children must come to school wearing appropriate clothing for PE. This means no leggings or restrictive clothing.

Children will also now need **OUTSIDE trainers**. Please be aware that children cannot wear indoor plimsoles outside for safety reasons.

Please could we also remind everyone that children will need a summer hat in school during the summer term. They will need to wear this during our PE sessions outside.

WE NEED YOU!



# EYFS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

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We are continuing to develop our outside learning environment and really need to find cheap and recycled resources to use in the EYFS playground and learning areas.

If you are a builder, decorator, gardener, plumber or mechanic or know somebody who is then please ask them if they help by donating the following items. Please let us know if you can help in any way. Thank you.

## Mud Kitchen



Our mud kitchen is a perfect place for the children to make mud pies! They love to dig and investigate the mud area. To help the children continue to create and explore we are always looking for donations of:

**Cake trays**

**Saucepans**

**Cooking utensils; sieves, spatulas, masher etc.**

So, if you are throwing away any old utensils please send them in.



## Water play

Another area which the children love to explore and investigate is our water play area. This area is very popular in the summer and the new partitions and tools we purchased last summer have been a huge hit. To help us develop this area further we are always looking for the following items:

**Plastic tubes or pipes and connectors**

**Guttering**

**Sieves, funnels**

**Watering cans**

**Buckets of all sizes**



## Builders area and Garage

These areas are used daily through all seasons! Because they are well loved they do need constantly updating and new resources purchased. If you have any of the following items please donate them:

**Large paintbrushes (new or very clean)**

**Tools**

(plastic toy ones as well as any real tools which are not dangerous to hold such as levels, retractable tape measures, files, spanners )

**Cones/safety signs**

**Decking planks**

**Plastic crates**

**Cable drums**

**Wheel barrow**

