



Newsletter 17 September 2021

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Our newsletter is the best way to find out about everything that is happening in nursery, including details of our learning plans for the following week. It is posted every Friday on the home page of our website www.oakengatesnurseryschool.co.uk

Reading at Home

We hope that you and your child have enjoyed sharing the story they selected to bring home this week.

Please bring their reading book along with the reading diary every week so we can exchange it for a new one. We would love you to make a comment in the diary too.

Did they enjoy it?

Did they join in?

Did they talk about the pictures?

Did they help with turning the pages?

Could they talk about the characters?

Book bags can be purchased from the nursery office for £3.95



Admin Hours

Please be aware that the nursery admin hours have slightly changed from this term.

Monday-Thursday 7.30-3.45pm

Friday 7.30-1pm

If you call out of these hours, please leave a message and we will get back to you or alternatively, please email

oakengates.admin@taw.org.uk

The nursery admin office now operates **term time only.**
Thank you



Snack Donations



Just a reminder that a snack donation of £1 per week is requested from all our preschool children and funded toddlers. Your contribution helps us to ensure that the children have access to healthy options at snack time each day.

A member of the admin team will be outside the front of nursery at the start of each session collecting donations.

HM Government

Childcare Choices



Does your child turn 3 this term? You may be eligible to get up to 30 hours free childcare.

Check out:

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Term Dates: Autumn 2021

First half term

Monday 6th September – Friday 22nd October

Half Term Holiday

Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October

PD DAY Monday 1st November 2021

Second half term

Tuesday 2nd November – Friday 17th December

Please go to our website to access all term dates for the academic year 2021-2022

<http://www.oakengatesnurseryschool.co.uk/>

Our theme in nursery this term is called:

Let's Celebrate!

Next week in the Baby room: Our theme is 'Let's Celebrate Me.'

We will be making cakes in the playdough station and loose parts to decorate them. There will be lots of messy play available next week such as exploring porridge oats, rainbow spaghetti and jelly.

We will be having play birthday parties in our home corner, singing 'happy birthday.' We will also be pretending to make cakes for our teddy bears.

Our songs of the week are 'Polly put the kettle on,' and 'Say Hello.'

We will be sharing the story 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'This is my nose.'



Outside we will be dancing and moving our bodies to classical music.



Next week in the Toddler Room we will be celebrating all about me, this will link to our adult directed activities where we will be using our 'All about me' photos to talk about our families.

If you haven't already can you please send in some family photographs of your child and their family.

We will be creating a family tree in toddlers so that the children can develop friendships and language around discussing their loved ones.

The children will have the opportunity to explore real materials e.g. logs, stones, sticks and leaves and explore the dinosaur land. We will use language like stamp, charge, run, wild, tree, log, stones, play, together and fierce.



In the art studio we will be finger painting so please let your child wear old clothes to nursery so we can have fun and learn through texture and movement.

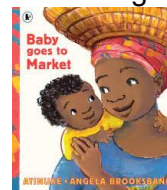
We will be celebrating the Chinese festival of the half moon on Tuesday and we will be play soothing Chinese music, the children will be encouraged to make their own moon cakes in the playdough area.

Next week in Preschool we are learning all about me!

We will be looking at ourselves carefully using mirrors and celebrating each other. We will be noticing and talking about our similarities and differences.

In the writing area we will be using mirrors to explore different facial expressions and drawing self portraits.

In the reading area we will be sharing the story "Baby Goes to Market" where the children will be sequencing parts of the story, talking about the pictures and what might happen next.



As part of Mathematical Development the children will be sorting out the fruit in the pop up play market, we will be asking the questions: *which fruit is the same? Which fruits are different? I wonder how many oranges there are?*

In the art studio we will be making faces out of the playdough, talking about similarities and differences. The children will also be exploring colour and texture through finger painting.

Our song of the week is 'I've Got a Body a Very Busy Body'.