

**Dates for your Diary:**

**Thursday 22nd February 9-10am** - **Incredible Years course drop- in session** for parents to ask questions and sign up. The **Incredible Year course** starts **on 9th March** in our extended services room. Please ask Nursery staff for letters and leaflets regarding this course.

**Thursday 1st March 9-10am– Tavistock Children's centre drop-in session** all about the services that they provide.

**Thursday 15th March 9-10am** - **Health visitor drop-in session**. A good opportunity to ask any questions you may have about your children.

**ALL ABOUT NURSERY...**

Your child will change and develop a lot in their time at Nursery. These are just some of the things they may learn to do...

\* Talk and listen in lots of different situations

\* Pour my own drinks

\* Use the toilet independently

\* Remember to wash my hands

\* Dress myself e.g. put on my own coat and shoes

\* Make choices e.g. what I want to play with, what I would like to choose from the snack cafe

\* Tell you what I have been learning

\* To have a go at new things

\* Not to worry if I cannot do something the first time

\* Play with others and learn to take turns

\* And lots more!

***Please come and talk to a member of staff if you would like to know more about our Nursery Curriculum***

**LITERACY/COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE**

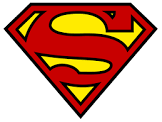
* Listening for sounds in the environment.
* Hearing rhythm and rhyme
* Free mark making with a range of materials and media.
* Recognise and write my name.
* Looking at lots of books together. We will read non-fiction books about ‘people who help us’ and Autumn, as well as lots of stories.

**Spring term topics!**

Our new topics this term will include ‘We’re going on a bear hunt’, ‘Superheroes’ and ‘Spring and Easter’.

We will be retelling the story of We’re going on a bear hunt, using our bodies to move through different scenes in the story and going on a bear hunt around the school grounds!

For our superheroes topic we will be learning to think about how we are super as well as making superhero masks, learning to recognise 2D shapes by making superhero logos, meeting Magnetman and exploring magnetic and non-magnetic materials.



In Phonics we will be learning about our voice sounds, rhythm and rhyme.



**Mathematics skills**

* Counting to 3, then 5, then 10 and beyond!
* Recognising and drawing numbers and matching to an amount.
* Playing number games and solving number related questions with toys.
* Singing and doing number songs and action rhymes.
* Recognising and naming the shapes around me.

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***How can I help my child***

***with early reading and writing?***

* Share books with them every day and talk about stories.
* Encourage them to make marks and have a go at their own writing.
* Role model reading books and writing e.g. shopping lists and cards.

**Nursery information**

* *Please read the “Ask me about” whiteboard on the Nursery door and ask your children about today’s learning and fun!*
* *We have many informative displays in Nursery including one with information about the local Children’s Centre- please take a look.*
* *All Nursery children have a key person. You will receive a letter shortly providing more details about this and who your child’s key person will be.*
* *We enjoy sharing information with you about your child’s time at Nursery. You are always welcome to ask about their day!*
* *We take part in daily physical activity as well as messy play. Please ensure that your child comes to Nursery in**named practical**clothing and has spare clothes on their peg.*

Our **Skill for Success** this term is

**Understanding Yourself.**

