## **Dear Parents and Carers,**

Welcome to Summer 1! The main theme for this half term is 'People Who Help Us'. We will be talking about different occupations and what people do to help us. We will also continue to follow children's interests so please let us know of your ideas too!

# Communication & Language

We will be using language such as 'fire fighters, nurses and police officers' and talking about what their jobs are and how they help us. We will be developing children's listening and attention skills by inviting visitors in to talk about their jobs and encourage children to listen and ask questions.

# Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be helping children to develop a positive sense of themselves and form positive relationships with others.

Using role play opportunities such as being police officers will help children gain a sense or right and wrong and develop their confidence.

# Understanding the World

We are planning to organise some trips around the local area to the Post Office and field to guide children in giving them a sense of their local community and exploring the world around them.

# Physical Development

With the warmer weather now here, we are happy to spend lots of time outside improving our gross and fine motor skills to help us develop our muscles for mark-making and writing.

Children will be using the bikes as ambulances and fire engines to help people in trouble, which will help their coordination.

# Nursery Summer 1 People Who Help Us

#### **Mathematics**

We will be providing children with opportunities to develop and improve their skills in counting, understanding and using numbers through games and songs, such as '5 little fire fighters'.

We will be looking at shapes and their properties and encouraging children to talk about shapes (for example, a circle is round and a square has four corners and four straight sides).

# Literacy

Having taught the letter sounds s, a, t, i, p, n, c/k, we will be consolidating these by encouraging children to hear the sounds in words and find them in the environment.

We will look at non-fiction books which will teach us more about people who help us.

## Expressive Arts & Design

Our lovely music sessions with Mrs Bullas (Wednesday afternoon) and Mrs Mead (Friday mornings) will continue and we will be singing songs related to people who help us. We will be encouraging children to use small world play to recreate scenes where people help others.

# How can I help my child at home?

## **Local Trips**

We would like to begin taking small groups of children out to local places such as the community garden or field. If you are able to help with this, please speak to a member of staff.



### Billy Bear

We are enjoying reading all about Billy's adventures with you! This will continue throughout this term too.

## Mobile Phone Usage

Please do not use your mobile phone in the Nursery as it is a safeguarding concern



## <u>Toys</u>

We would like to remind you that 'Show and Tell' is every Wednesday. If your child attends a Wednesday session, please encourage them to bring in a toy or objects of interest for them to show their group. Please do not allow your child to bring in a toy on any other day.

## **Activity Packs**

We hope you found the Easter activity packs useful. If you would like any more activities or ideas, please feel free to speak to any member of staff. We are always happy to help!

## **Spare Clothes**

Please remember to provide a spare set of clothes for your child in case they need to be changed due to an accident or after messy play. We are running very low on spare clothes so please return any Nursery clothes you may have. Please remember that clothes should be suitable for Nursery and easy for your child to manage.



#### Sun cream

Could you please apply sun cream to your child before the session to prevent them from getting sunburnt when playing outside. We provide sun hats and shade to reduce the risks too.

## Sing!

Singing helps to improve communication and language as well as creative skills. Ask a member of staff for a demo of our song of the week!

We have a Community Choir for adults based at the school on a Thursday at 3.15-4.15pm. Please feel free to come along!



We hope you are enjoying reading what your child has been learning about at Nursery.

We'd love to hear about what you are learning at home too!

Please reply to emails telling us about things you've been doing and talking about when you're out and about and at home.