



# St Paul's Nursery Newsletter



Spring Term 2

Dear Parents and Children,  
Spring Term One seemed to rush by very quickly but despite this the children continue to make excellent progress in their learning. I would love to hear what your child is doing/learning at home, you can send an email and/or photos marked for my attention via the school email which is:

[office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk)

### **Our Learning This Term:**

Our theme this half term will be: **Living Things.**  
We will learning about animals from all around the world and the habitats that they live in. Each week we will look at a different habitat and also have a key book based in that area which also has a theme around behaviour/friendships/feelings for the children to discuss and learn about. To help consolidate this learning we will be visiting Hounslow Urban Farm where we will see farm animals, exotic animals and owls.

### **Times of the Nursery day:**

Nursery sessions run from **9am-12noon.** Please ensure that you drop off and pick up your child on time.

### **Trips:**

We have planned the following curriculum trips for this school year – further details will be sent out once bookings have been confirmed:

**Spring Term 24<sup>th</sup> March :** Hounslow Urban Farm

**Summer Term: 5<sup>th</sup> May** Hampton Court Palace

### **Drinks and Snacks:**

Children are provided with fruit and milk throughout the morning at Nursery. Please also send in a water bottle, these will be sent home daily for washing. **Don't forget you need to pre-order your child's milk.** Please do not send your child in with any drink other than water and do not send in any additional snacks.

### **Getting Ready For Reception:**

Below are some things you can do to start getting you child ready to move into Reception:

- Make sure they can put their own coat on a do up their zip.
- Make sure they can take off their own jumper.
- Make sure they can use the toilet completely independently.
- Help them to recognise their name.
- Help them write their name. (**not** in capital letters)
- Encourage them to hold their pencil between their thumb and 2 fingers.
- Encourage them to talk in full sentences (in English or in your home language)

### **Library Books:**

Library books are sent home once a week. Books should be returned to school in a bookbag on Wednesdays and a new book will then be sent home.

Please encourage your child to talk about the things they can see in the pictures and think about why events happen e.g. *Why did Goldilocks's eat the porridge? Why was baby bear sad?* Please also help your child learn the importance of looking after books by ensuring they are taken care of whilst they are at home.

### **Clothing:**

Please ensure your child comes to school appropriately dressed each day. They will need comfortable clothes which they can manage without adult support e.g. Velcro fastenings on their shoes, elastic waists. We will be outside and using paint and messy materials and whilst aprons are always available accidents will happen. A spare set of clothes should be kept in a named bag on your child's peg. **The children will learn outside in all weathers so please ensure they have shoes and coats suitable for the outdoor conditions.**

### **PE:**

We have weekly PE lessons in the hall on Tuesdays, however the children do **NOT** need a PE kit for these sessions, however please **send them in wearing shoes suitable for a PE lesson** (no boots/sandals). Please note that children who come to school wearing jewellery will not be able to take part in PE lessons.

### **Learning at Home:**

We would like to find out about your child's experiences outside of Nursery including any clubs they attend and any trips/ visits you take. The easiest way to share these with us is to email the school office on [office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk).

### **Junk Modelling Materials**

If you have any cereal boxes, clean yogurt pots or cardboard tubes that we could use for model making, please send them into school.

**Miss Browne**