



Spring Term no 5
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Montalbo Nursery Newsletter

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for all your queries.

We aim to keep you as updated as possible with what is happening in nursery and future events; however if you ever have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to talk to us.

Who's who?

Mrs Bainbridge –
Head Teacher and Manager of
Montalbo Extra Childcare
Facility
Mrs Taylor -Foundation Stage
Coordinator and Nursery
Teacher
Mrs Ridley -
Reception Teacher
Miss Mitchell – Deputy Manager
of Montalbo Extra Care, Nursery
Nurse
Mrs Eilbeck –Nursery Nurse
Julia Kicks – Childcare
Assistant at Monty's Breakfast
& After-school Club
Karen Lockwood –
Assistant at Monty's Breakfast
Club
Lisa Wood – Childcare
Assistant at Monty's After-
school Club/ Lunchtime
Supervisor

Certificates



Nursery
Certificates
were awarded
this week
to.....

Justin for
settling
confidently
into his new
Nursery.
Leah for being
willing to try
different food
at lunchtime.



Sounds & Letters

We are continuing to introduce letter sounds in a fun and informal way. Last week we introduced the sound 'n' for Rabbits and 'r' for Owls. This week it will be 'c' and 'm'. Remember that we learn the sound of the letter at this stage rather than the alphabet name.

Please can you ensure that we have an up to date list of contacts and people who may be picking up or dropping off your child at Nursery.

Tip of the week.....

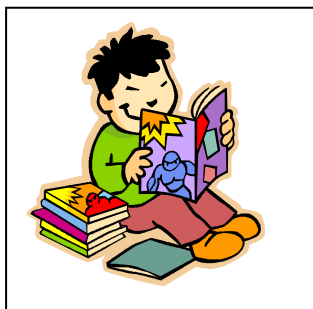
encourage your child to put on and take off shoes and socks

independently.

Provide threading activities to help with development and control of fine motor skills. E.g. threading cotton reels, pasta and large beads on string.

Book clubs:

We have visiting book and gift clubs in Nursery – check the boxes in the entrance to find a reasonable priced book or gift.



Investigation Area

This week we will investigate and talk about birds. If you have any interesting items /objects, books, photos etc... that relate to this you are welcome to bring them in to add to the trolley.

Stickers will be given to children who bring something in to add to the investigation table.

Last week we learnt about and read stories about animals that hibernate; built dens underneath the castle; played vets in the role play corner; made fat balls to hang on the trees for birds to eat and enjoyed playing with our new transporter and tractor outside.

Nursery Library

We offer a library service, whereby you and your child/ren can choose a book from our large selection to take home and enjoy. Simply write it in the Library Record Book hanging in the story corner, and tick off when you return it.

Diary Dates

Feb 15th – Feb 25th - Spring Half Term Holidays

March 14th – Nursery Parents Evening – Pupil Progress (please note change of date)

March 27th to April 15th - Easter Holidays

May 6th – May Day

May 24th to June 3rd – Summer Half Term Holidays

July 19th – Break up for Summer Holidays.

Please check the diary dates section weekly so that you do not miss out!

Montalbo Extra

If you access Montalbo Extra Care, please can you *ensure invoices are paid in full each week*, money put into envelopes provided and marked clearly with the date, child's name and payment. Although it is not always possible please could you try to pay the exact amount of money stated on your invoice. If change is required, the extra amount will be carried over to credit the following week. (Please let us know if you are not happy with this arrangement). If your invoice is not paid in full, the debt will be carried over to the next and subsequent weeks. Please note, everyone accessing Montalbo Extra has signed an agreement with Nursery, and care can be refused if debts become outstanding for a long period of time.