



Summer Term no 3
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Montalbo Nursery Newsletter

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 for all your queries.

Nursery Notices:

- **Please remember to bring in a spare change of clothes –our Nursery supplies are low! If you have any borrowed nursery clothes at home please could they be returned asap.**
- Photograph day this year is Tuesday 21st May – more information to follow.

Nursery Places 2013 - 2014

There are still nursery places available for next year. So if you know any two year olds who will be eligible for Government funded place next school year, please encourage them to come and have a look around our nursery. Just a phone call is required to let us know you are visiting.

Word Wall

To encourage early reading skills we are going to create a 'Word Wall' in our story corner. The idea is for children to bring in words, logos or names they recognise e.g McDonalds, to put onto our Word Wall. They then show and share with other children their 'reading' skills.

Certificates



Montalbo Nursery Certificates were awarded to.. Lucas for recognising and having fun with rhyming words.



Eden for settling happily and confidently in her new nursery.

Diary Dates

May 21st – School and Nursery photographs
 May 23rd – Reception class induction meeting
 May 24th - school closed for a week.
 June 3rd - School reopens
 July 12th – Reception class visit
 July 19th School closes for summer holidays

Remember.....

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

Ofsted called this week....

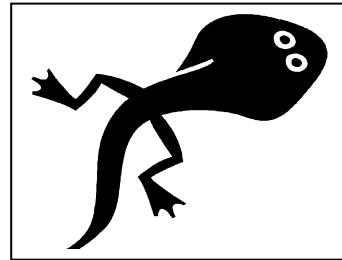
Thank you to all those parents who filled in the online questionnaire at such short notice. Your views are important. Mrs Bainbridge is not able to let you know the outcome of the inspection yet until the report is drafted, checked and available. All parents will receive a copy of the report prior to it appearing on the OFSTED website.

Nursery children were wonderful - they were so focussed and well behaved when the inspector called. They talked freely to him showing off our achievements and learning in Nursery.

We are so proud of them all.

This week we have been

investigating Frogs and learning about their life cycle. Miss Mitchell brought in frogspawn and the children have checked every day for tadpoles – we have got three now! We've sung rhyming songs, made frog lolly stick puppets, played in slime, created a holiday house complete with swimming pool, counted frogs, made mud hot chocolate.



This week we are investigating

plants, planting seeds and learning how plants grow and what they need.

Sounds & Letters

We are continuing to introduce letter sounds in a fun and informal way. Last week we introduced the sound 'o' for Rabbits and 'b' for Owls. This week it will be 'u' and 'j'. Remember that we learn the sound of the letter at this stage rather than the alphabet name. Owls are also learning to read the letters.

Reminders:

- Reception class Induction meeting will be held in School at 6pm 23rd May. You should already have received a letter from school.
- Reception class visit is the morning of Friday 12th July – please let us know if your child is attending and also if they require lunch care or an extra session at nursery on that day.
- If your child has had a sickness bug it is a county requirement that they are kept off nursery for 48hrs, after the last time they were sick, to avoid spreading infection.

Outdoor Environment

Our outdoor area is changing all the time we are continually looking for ways to improve and stimulate outdoor learning as part of the EYFS curriculum. The bug hotel is now finished and guests are starting to move in. We have put up a caterpillar mirror on the fence and our next job is to plant some pots with flowers to attract more insects.

Work has started on the veranda – making it a more useful area for role play and table top activities. Our future projects include a wildlife area with wild flowers and grasses and a number caterpillar painted on the floor.