

Welcome to Nursery Summer 2 Newsletter 2025

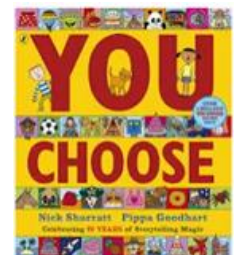
We hope you had an enjoyable half term holiday. We are pleased to have welcomed our wonderful children back into school for the last half term of the year before we break up for the summer holiday on Tuesday 22nd July.

Here is some information about the skills and knowledge your child will be learning linked to these topics.

The children have loved our Little Wandle Phonics Scheme called Foundations for Phonics. We have taught the children 23 new sounds/phonemes s,a,t,p,i,n,m,d,g,o,c/k,e,u,r,h,b,f,l,j,v,w,y,z. It would be great if you could recap these with your child at home. During our Numbers and Patterns sessions we have taught the children to recite numbers past 5, to recognise numerals, talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes, to use mathematical language, to extend and create patterns.

Week 1 Likes and Dislikes

- ☺ Reading - You Choose by Pippa Goodhart
- ☺ Discussion about what I like and what I don't like
- ☺ Drawing a self portrait
- ☺ Drawing favourite food
- ☺ Phonics – words beginning with **qu** – queen, quack, quick
- ☺ To add one more to a group
- ☺ Write numbers 1-10
- ☺ Song of the week – 5 Little Ducks



Week 2 Human Life Cycle

- ☺ Reading stories about growing up
- ☺ Learning about the Human Life Cycle.
- ☺ Labelling body parts
- ☺ Drawing themselves
- ☺ Phonics – words beginning with **ch** – chip, cheese, chick, chin, chop
- ☺ To group objects according to their weight.
- ☺ Write some or all letters in their name
- ☺ Song of the week – I've got a body



Week 3 Celebrating Differences

- ☺ Reading – All kinds of people by Emma Damon
- ☺ Discussion – We are all different and unique
- ☺ Discussion - What languages do we speak?
- ☺ Drawing our families
- ☺ Phonics – words ending **_ck** - duck, quack, neck, sock
- ☺ To begin to understand numbers are made of parts to make a whole.
- ☺ Write numbers 1-10
- ☺ Song of the week - [Head Shoulders Knees & Toes](#)



Week 4 Contrasting Locality

- ☺ Reading - Amy Wu and the warm welcome by Kat Zhang
- ☺ Looking at Hong Kong
- ☺ Discussion - How is it different/similar to where we live?
- ☺ Drawing a cityscape
- ☺ Phonics – words ending **_x** – box, six, fox.
- ☺ To take away one from a group.
- ☺ Write some or all letters in their name
- ☺ Song of the week – [London Bridge is Falling Down](#)



Week 5 Pirates

- ☺ Come dressed as a pirate
- ☺ Reading - The Night Pirates by Peter Harris and Deborah Allwright
- ☺ Drawing a treasure map
- ☺ Going on a treasure hunt
- ☺ Phonics - words beginning with **sh** – ship, shoe, shark, shell
- ☺ To use language such as more/fewer.
- ☺ Writing numbers 1-10
- ☺ Song of the week - [I'm a Pirate](#)



Weeks 6 & 7 Holidays

- ☺ Reading What the Ladybird Heard on Holiday by Julia Donaldson
- ☺ Discussion – Where are you going on Holiday?
- ☺ Drawing a beach
- ☺ Phonics – words ending in **_th** – thumb, three, bath, teeth
- ☺ Phonics - words ending in **_ng** – ring, king, wing
- ☺ To find the total of items in 2 groups by counting all of them.
- ☺ To find the odd one out.
- ☺ Writing names with correct formation
- ☺ Song of the week – Tommy Thumb



Our Book Reviews this half term

[Miss Williams recommends – You Choose by Pippa Goodhart and Nick Sharratt.](#)

You Choose is a brilliant book for imagination and participation. Children are encouraged to choose one or more items out of the different options and talk about them. It is great for developing vocabulary and inviting fascinating discussions on people, homes, food and transport. Nick Sharratt's wonderfully detailed illustrations make choosing more fun.



Mrs Benham-Smith recommends – Ten Little Superheroes by Mike Brownlow



Ten Little Superheroes are on a mission to save the city ... But do they have the super-powers to defeat evil villain Monstro and his dastardly League of Bad Guys? Part traditional counting rhyme, part fun-filled story, *Ten Little Superheroes* is perfect for sharing together. Read the bouncy rhyming story. Count from ten to one and back again, as the Little Superheroes disappear then reappear. Spot and count the details on each page. And join in with all the great sound-words! There are a whole series of these wonderful books with numbers.

Nursery Sports – Friday 27th June at 9am

Nursery children are taking part in a non-competitive sports day. Please can you ensure your child has a labelled water bottle, appropriate P.E. kit and a sun hat. Parents are welcomed into school for this event to cheer along.



Summer Clothing

Finally, we have been having some wonderful sunny weather, so we are encouraging all children to bring a hat to school and keep it in their tray. Sunglasses are permitted too.

Sun Cream

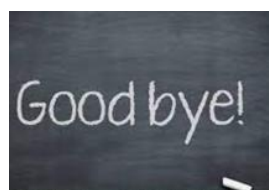
There are many shops selling sun creams that last up to 6 hours. It would be easier for your child if they had this type of cream applied before school as the adults cannot help them apply it during the school day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Spare Clothes

Our stock of spare clothing has dwindled to nothing this term. If your child has borrowed some of our spares, please could we ask that you return them once they have been washed. In addition, if you have any spares at home, you would be happy to donate, we could make good use of them – thank you.

Return of Books

We will be collecting in our library books from Thursday 10th July. So please note no further new books will be issued after this date. Please have a look around at home to see if you have any library books which may have been misplaced, thank you.



Goodbye and Good luck

We would like to wish those of you that will not be continuing their educational journey with us at Priory Rise all the best for the future. We will make your child's entire Tapestry Learning Journey available to you, so you may download it as a file, as a keepsake, to remember your child's first year in school. We will send you information

nearer the time about how to do this. Sadly, our license agreement does not extend to parents being able to keep the live feed through Tapestry, we will need to use the spaces for next year's cohort. We will miss you!

Fabulous Foundation 2

We are very happy that so many of you have got a place in our wonderful School. You are invited to attend an **Induction Meeting on Thursday 26th June at 5pm**. There will be a presentation about starting school and you will get the opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher. Your child's Tapestry Learning Journey will continue next year.



Nursery Children 2025

We are excited to welcome you back in September. Your child's Tapestry Learning Journey will continue next year. So please add observations of your adventures home and away over the holiday.

Thank You

And finally... we would like to say a very big thank you for your tremendous support this year. We wish all the children success as they continue their learning journeys.
Have a great summer holiday!



Routines

- ☺ Music and Movement is in the small hall on Wednesdays.
- ☺ We will visit the library for a regular session every week on a Thursday. Your child will be able to borrow a book, bring it home and return it the following week. Non return of books will incur a charge so please ensure you look after it.
- ☺ Miss Williams takes her PPA (out of class teacher time for planning, preparation and assessment) on Tuesday mornings and will be covered by Miss Smith.

Staffing

- ☺ Miss Williams: Class Teacher – Spiders Key Worker
- ☺ Miss Tandy: Nursery Nurse – AM Ladybirds Key Worker
- ☺ Mrs Gillespie: Nursery Nurse – Caterpillars Key Worker
- ☺ Mrs Satheesh - Nursery Nurse – PM Ladybirds Key Worker
- ☺ Miss Smith – Higher Level Teaching Assistant