

Newsletter - Term 2 2023



Me and My Community

We hope that the children had a lovely and restful half term and they are ready for the busy term ahead. Our topic is "Me and My Community" where we will learn about the special days that we celebrate within our community. We will learn about autumn and use our senses to discuss and explore the changes in the weather. Within this topic, we will also learn about important community members like doctors, nurses, police, firefighters and paramedics. We will end our term with an informal Christmas Concert by the children for you.

We would love to share the children's experiences of enjoying different celebrations or special days with their family. They are displayed in the classroom and provide a great stimulus for conversation. Please upload any pictures to Class Dojo or email them to us at ihudson@thrapston.net.

This term, we will open our lending library. Your child will receive a folder with a letter outlining the details.

As the weather becomes cooler, please make sure that children come prepared to play outside in all weathers. They will need: a warm and preferably waterproof coat; hats; and mittens. **Please make sure all items are named.**

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school. Please check the ingredients before placing them in your child's lunch box.

Thank you for helping us establish routines with the children. By encouraging them to hang up their own coat and bag and taking their picture card over to the self-register, the children are becoming more independent and can take pride in being able to do things for themselves. A little reminder that parents are not permitted beyond the cloakroom between the hours of 9-3, this includes the toilets.

Thank you,

Nursery Team

Key Dates:

Tuesday 31st October - Halloween
Friday 3rd November - PC Visit
Thursday 9th November - Paramedic Visit
W.b. Monday 13th November - Firefighter visit (date to be confirmed)
Monday 20th November - Photograph Day (Individual Photos)

Thursday 7th December – Christmas Jumper Day Monday 11th December – Church Visit to Nursery

Monday 18th December – Christmas Party

Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Concert to Parents (2:15 pm)

Communication & Language

I can ask questions using what? where? who?

I can start a conversation and take turns in that conversation with adult support.

I am beginning to understand and use colour, number and size related words.

Physical

I am beginning to use one-handed tools (i.e. scissors).

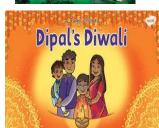
I am developing my balance and ball skills.

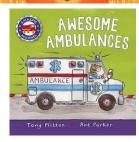
I show an increasing desire to be independent (i.e.trying to dress or undress).

Me and My Community - Learning Goals

Key texts:

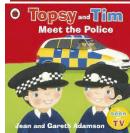












Personal, Social & Emotional Development

I can play with one or more children.

I am developing my sense of responsibility and membership of a community.

I can follow rules and understand why they are important.

Literacy

I can talk about and retell familiar stories.

I can join in with rhyming words in well-known stories and songs.

I know that certain things in my environment make certain noises.

Expressive Art and Design

I can begin to draw shapes that represent objects.

I am building a large repertoire of songs and rhymes.

I am beginning to explore musical instruments.

Maths

I can compare quantities using: 'more than' and 'fewer than'.

I can talk about and identify the patterns around me.

I can describe and discuss familiar routes and locations using prepositions.

Understanding the World

I can talk about a past event.

I know the basic routine of my day.

I can explore natural materials using my senses.

Me and My Community - Knowledge Organiser

Key songs:

When Santa Got Stuck Up the Chimney

The Big Ships Sails

BINGO

Twinkle, Twinkle

We wish you a Merry Christmas

Key questions:

What do you celebrate in your family?

How do you celebrate?

How do you keep safe?

