A big welcome to the new children who have joined us this term we are really pleased with how well you have settled in.

**Dates For the Diary**

School closed for inset day : Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
Half Term week : 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
School Reopens on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

Week of 15<sup>th</sup> July Family key group celebrations and concerts.

School Closes for the Summer Break on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019
We really need your help and support and rely on your donations to buy snacks and food for cooking as well as day to day resources such as play dough. Our school funds are running low so can we please ask that all parents put a termly donation in the envelope provided. We are very grateful to you and really do need donations this term. Thank you.

Can we please remind parents of the importance of collecting children punctually at the end of the session at 2.45 pm. Unfortunately due to the number of parents who are collecting late we are going to apply a charge of £5 for every 5 minutes for late collections. This charge is already in place for our fee-paying children.

There are lots of winter items and coats and jumpers that have been left in the cloakroom areas. Please look on the tables in the entrance area to check if there are any items belonging to your child.

Thank you.

Library

We have noticed that not all parents are taking advantage of our library where you can change your child’s book whenever you want.

I will be asking key workers to encourage all families to change their child’s book regularly as reading to your child is really important and a great preparation for school readiness.

30 hour offer

School Fund

Cloakroom
Our classroom under the sky

We have been developing and improving our outdoor play areas and children now access both the forest school and the allotment every week for one session.

Alison’s group has been planting and exploring the allotment climbing the hills digging and playing in the mud kitchen and they have had lots of fun. A big thanks, to Lottie’s Mum for bringing Rupert the lamb in for a visit.

Children’s Fascinations
Our curriculum is developed from the children’s interests

Angela’s group continue to be interested in recycling and pollution and sea life and over the last couple of weeks they have been exploring real fish and a crab. Alex’s Dad very kindly came into fillet a fish and the children have amazed us with their knowledge. We have bought some new non-fiction books about sea creatures that the children are really enjoying.
Creating our own songs

Our song about Bee’s
(to the tune of I hear thunder)

Bee’s like honey,
Bee’s like honey,
They fly everywhere,
They collect pollen,
And nectar
And nectar

Our song about flowers
(to the tune of I hear thunder)

Buds turn into flowers,
Buds turn into flowers,
Sometimes daffodils,
Sometimes daffodils,
Why are you collecting it?
Why are you picking it?
It will die,
It will die!

By Halima, Lewie, Darla Bella, Thomas, Alex,
Zayaan, Tobie, Thomas, Lucie

While in forest school Angela’s Group made up some songs we love them! Look at the display to see more.

Thanks to Noah’s Mum who came in and made pasta and pesto using our wild garlic the children and Nicola really enjoyed the session. If you have any skills you would like to share with us please do talk to us we would love to have you in nursery.
The children in Amie’s group have been drawing funny characters and given them rhyming names they have also gone onto make up their own stories. We are really pleased to see they are seeing themselves as writers and that they are using their phonic skills to sound out words making plausible attempts at words.
Projects and Large Scale Painting in the recycling room

We are all very busy in all parts of nursery and it is great to see so much learning-taking place and we are certainly seeing lots of progress for all children.

Please let family and friends know that we have places available in September for funded 3 year olds and 2 year olds including the 30-hour offer. Plus places for paid sessions in our extended schools offer.

Please join us on 6th June for a session with Lancashire Learning on preparing your child for school.

Ready Steady School Session

Places will be limited so you will need to book on.