

# Hetton-Le-Hole Nursery School Newsletter

February 2019



## Important Dates

- Half term holidays Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February 2019. School open for childcare.

## Snack donations

We are asking if all parents, in all rooms, would kindly donate one piece of fruit per day for snack. We also ask for 20 pence per day to go towards our nursery fund. We are grateful for all donations.



As the cold weather continues, we would be grateful for any donations of coats, hats, gloves and scarves.

Please can you also ensure your child has wellies available at nursery.

Thank you!



## Learning journals

Please feel free to have a look at your child's learning journal. They can be found outside of their room. We would love it if you could put in anything exciting you have been doing at home with your child.

## A warm welcome.



We would like to introduce our new Caretaker, Dean Henson. If you see him around nursery, please say hello! We are excited to welcome him to our team.

## What's been happening in school?



We have been very lucky to have Dr. Brendon Renwick from Music for Schools working with the children in Main Nursery. He has helped the children learn about music and rhyme through his imaginative and interactive stories and songs. You can find more information at his website at: <http://www.musicforschools.org.uk>



We had our local MP Bridget Phillipson visit nursery this month to look around and receive the petitions we have signed to safeguard nursery school funding. She presented our petitions at the House of Commons on Tuesday 5th February 2019.

## Baby Room



Our youngest learners have been exploring Chinese New Year using all of their senses.

They have been tasting foods such as spring rolls and prawn crackers, they were very yummy! We were so proud of them for trying something new.

They have also explored noodles in the sensory tray.

## 2-3 Year Old Room



In the 2 year old room, the toddlers have been learning about Chinese New Year. They have been tasting new and exciting foods such as noodles, spring rolls and prawn crackers.

The noodles were tricky to pick up using a fork, but they showed off their fine motor skills and managed to pick them up! The children loved exploring these new foods and learning more about their likes and dislikes.

They have been learning and exploring lots of exciting Chinese resources like fans and chopsticks. They have loved every moment.

## Main Nursery



In Main Nursery, we have been learning more about other cultures through Chinese New Year. We have learning about how Chinese people celebrate at this time of year and we have been tasting Chinese food and trying some Chinese dances.

We have been testing our writing skills by painting Chinese numbers in our painting area, creating representations of Chinese New Year animals using our shape knowledge and testing our physical skills by picking up noodles with chopsticks!

We learned more about the story behind Chinese New Year and explored lots of interesting objects in our Investigation area. We watched this video too to help us learn more:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/chinese-new-year>

## Parent Partnerships



We would like to thank everyone who came to our Bingo night! It was a great success and it was lovely to see everyone getting in the spirit of the game.

The event raised some money to go towards purchasing new resources for the rooms.

This is something we are looking to plan again in the future.

### PARENT MAIL

If you haven't signed up to Parent Mail there is still time to do so... please contact Stephen in the office for further details