



# The Academy Nursery School

## Important Dates

### School Closures

#### Saint Patrick's Day

Monday 18th March



#### Easter Holidays

Thursday 18th April  
— Friday 26th April  
(dates are inclusive)

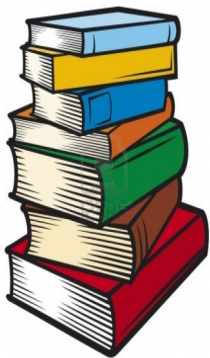


## March 2019

### Special points of interest:

- ☺ School Closures
- ☺ World Book Day
- ☺ Banyan Theatre
- ☺ People Who Help Us / Community Walk
- ☺ Parent/Teacher Meetings
- ☺ ETI Inspection
- ☺ School Fund
- ☺ Curriculum
- ☺ Songs & Rhymes

## World Book Day — Thursday 7th March 2019



World Book Day will take place on Thursday 7th March. It is a great event which helps promote the enjoyment of books and reading. We would ask that the children get into the spirit of World Book Day by coming to school that day in fancy dress, maybe even as a character from their favourite book!

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

7 MARCH 2019

## Banyan Theatre Company

Banyan Theatre Company will be coming to the Nursery School on 8th March. Banyan perform several shows throughout the year and it is our aim to invite parent/guardians of the children to one of the performances. This time we will invite the Yellow group from the FT class, the Blue group from the AM class and the Green group from the PM class. Please let your class teacher know if you can make it.



The performances will take place during normal school hours and at no cost to parents.

## People Who Help Us/ Community Walk

The children are learning about people who help us and the different services in our community. We will soon be visiting the chemist, hairdressers, butchers, café and corner shop along Park Avenue. Permission was sought at the beginning of the year however if you wish to withdraw your consent or have any other concerns please let us know. We are also looking for parents/guardians etc to come into the school and speak to the children about their jobs to highlight to the children how everyone helps us in different ways so if you are interested please speak to your class teacher.



## Parent/Teacher Meetings

Parent/Teacher meetings will soon be taking place for the second term.

Appointment times will be displayed outside each class but if these do not suit then please talk with your child's class teacher to make a date and time that is mutually suitable.

## ETI Inspection



Our nursery school was recently inspected by the Education Training Inspectorate on 9th January 2019 and we are delighted to announce that the nursery achieved an 'Outstanding' result in all areas inspected. We are absolutely delighted with the outcome.



## School Fund

**A reminder that the School fund is now due for Term 2.**

It can be paid as £30 for the term or £90 for the full year.

It helps us pay for healthy snacks each day, school parties, trips and visits to the school such as the Banyan Theatre Company.

**Thank you to everyone that has already paid.**



# Curriculum—Spring and Growth

## Personal, Social and Emotional development

- To observe growth in ourselves through photos, measuring, discussion;
- Compare what we can do now that we are 3 & 4 to when we were babies;
- Preparing for arrival of and caring for new siblings;

## Caring for plants and animals

### Language Development

- Develop new vocabulary related to theme through stories rhymes, songs, displays and post-

ers;

- Using reference books to convey knowledge;
- Stories related to growth e.g. Jack and The Bean Stalk;

Opportunities to sequence e.g. life cycle of bean;

### Physical Development

- Developing skill of using tools to plant seeds etc;
- Manipulating measuring tapes to measure our friends etc;
- To develop large and small motor skills as well as spatial awareness through use of action songs

and rhymes;

- To develop hand-eye coordination through watering plants;

### The Arts

- Observational and representational paintings and drawings related to theme;
- To explore and use a variety of media related to theme;
- Movement and songs related to theme e.g. Sleeping Seeds;

## CURRICULUM (CONTD)

### Mathematical Development

- To develop mathematical language related to growth and measurement;
- Number stories and songs related to theme;
- Counting and matching e.g. one seed to one pot;
- Measuring ourselves at growth chart and comparing to previous reading;

- To introduce the oval shape;
- To provide experience of ordering by size;
- To discuss the passing of time and develop related vocabulary e.g. years, months etc;

### The World Around us

- Discuss recycling e.g. yoghurt pots for plants,
- To develop an awareness of

seasonal events e.g. birthdays etc;

- To develop an awareness of the importance of caring for living things in the environment;
- Planting and growing - parts of flowers, conditions for growth;
- Opportunities to use technology to record growth e.g. digital camera;
- To discuss life cycles;

## Some songs related to the theme

### Sleeping Seeds

Sleeping seeds in the brown,  
brown earth

I am the sun shine warm so  
warm

Come little seed so drowsy with  
sleep

Wake up now it's time to grow.

### Spring is the Time

Spring is the time when the  
magic comes

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magic comes

Up in the air I see baby leaves  
Down on the ground I see baby  
trees

Spring is the time when the  
magic comes and the magic  
comes from God

## The Academy Nursery School

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It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

## Back Page Story Headline

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If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

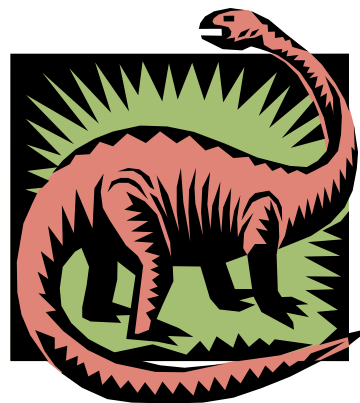
A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

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