

Sunbeams Newsletter 2



FORTNIGHT COMMENCING 25TH SEPTEMBER 23

Latest News

The children have settled really well with only a few tears now at the gate and our parents have been very brave as well!!! From next week please may parents and carers say goodbye with a quick kiss and cuddle at the gate rather than coming into the setting, for safeguarding reasons. The Sunbeams gate will close just after 9am in the mornings and 12:30pm in the afternoon, if you arrive after this time please go to the main Stepgates entrance and a member of staff will collect your child.

Sunbeams Rules and Topics -We have all been so busy the past few weeks making new friends, learning each other's names and following the rules of the Sunbeams class. Our rules are; to share, take turns, walk indoors, be kind to others and listen to each other. Children receive praise and stickers on their reward charts for following these. When they get 10 stickers their chart is full and they can pick a small toy from the Grab Bag. We are very proud of the way our children are developing responsibility and independence. We are now ready to start our topics and themes for this term which are; My Family & Autumn.

Harvest Festival Tuesday 17th October -Sunbeams are very excited to be able to take part in Harvest Festival at St Peters Church (weather permitting) with the rest of the school. We will be walking there and back so we will be asking for volunteers to walk with us closer to the time. A letter about this will come out in due course.

Home learning /Parent's tips

(remember you are your child's first educator)



coat

Please teach your child how to put on their coat independently.

Now the Autumnal weather has arrived please send your child into nursery with a named coat/waterproof jacket every day that will protect them from the elements.

Show an increasing desire to be independent, such as wanting to feed themselves and dress or undress. (Age 0-3 Development Matters)
Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example, putting coats on and doing up zips. (Age 3-4 Development Matters).

Important Dates

Fri 29th Sept - Macmillan Coffee Morning

Tuesday 10th Oct - Parents Evening

Tues 17th Oct - Harvest Festival at St. Peters Church

Wed 18th Oct - Fraser Photography Individual Photos

Half Term - Mon 23rd to Fri 27th October 2023

INSET Day - Monday 4th December 2023 -

Friday 15th December 2023 - Last day of Autumn term - Children finish at 1pm

Christmas holidays - Mon 18th December 2023 to Mon 1st January 2024 - Children back on the 2nd January 2024

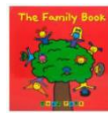
Fortnightly Phonics

Over the next few weeks we will be laying down the foundations for phonics by playing listening games, going on sound walks and singing nursery rhymes

MATHS OF THE WEEK

Each week the children will practice a different number. They will learn what it represents and what it looks like.

Please support your child by finding the letter and number of the week in the world around them.



Books and Rhymes



The Family book by Todd Parr

Squash and a Squeeze by Julia Donaldson

Clap, Clap hands 1,2,3 & The Barney Song

Messages

Tapestry is now be up and running and you should have received at least one entry by now from your Key person. If you are having difficulties, please email me at the address below from the email account you wish your activation link to be sent to too, in case I need to re-send it.

Starting school leaflet - All school leavers (preschoolers) should have received a leaflet in their bag to help support parents in signing up for Primary School. Sunbeams children will not automatically receive a place in Stepgates school. Please apply for your choice of schools between 30th October 2023 and 15th January 2024. Information on our Open Days are now on the school website and posters outside school.

Sunbeams Parents Evening Tuesday 10th October. We will be holding a parent's evening from 3:30pm until 4:30pm. This will be a chance for you to meet your child's Key Worker and discuss your child's progress. A letter explaining how you can book a slot will come out

Where to find information.

Please use our website to find out key dates, including term times and INSET days

<https://www.stepgateschool.co.uk>

Who to contact:

To report absence, late pick up or collection information or other urgent information.) office@stepgates.surrey.sch.uk

To contact the teacher for non urgent information:

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