

Starting Nursery



This week we will continue with the topic 'Starting Nursery'. We will be reading the story, 'Spot Goes to Nursery' by Eric Hill. We will be focusing on, 'Spot did painting at Nursery'. We will be discussing colours and how they can be mixed. We will also be teaching how we use the painting area in more detail.

Handy Hints to Help at Home

You can help at home by:

- [going on a colour hunt around your home;](#)
- sharing stories;
- visiting the local library;
- encouraging your child to mark make;
- encouraging your child to use the correct pencil grip;
- playing word games such as 'I spy';
- encouraging your child to speak clearly whilst you reinforce the correct vocabulary. You could practise this through role play - mummies and daddies, ice-cream parlour, garage, etc.
- playing language games like 'On the way to Grandma's we can see....'

Nursery Rhyme: I'm a little tea pot

*I'm a little teapot,
Short and stout,
Here is my handle
Here is my spout
When I get all steamed up,
Hear me shout,
Tip me over and pour me out!*

Maths

In maths we will be continuing with our number focus. We will be counting objects in two piles and comparing quantities, using the language, more and less. We will also introduce size, tall and short by reading, 'Tall' by Jez Alborough.

You can help at home by:

- practising this week's counting song: [Five Green Bottles](#);
- encouraging your child to find tall and short objects;
- counting out objects, such as cars, trains, dolls and saying which has more/less;
- using number puzzles & games;
- practising one to one counting of objects and matching numerals to amounts;
- putting numbers on teddies and hiding them around the house - can your child find the teddies and put them in the correct number order?
- counting how many cars they have;
- asking your child to help whilst shopping - can you get 3 oranges please?
- encouraging the use of the correct vocabulary for shape, space and measuring;
- looking at patterns in and around your environment.

General:

- Please remember to take out your child's earrings for school. The children should not wear any jewellery unless for religious reasons agreed with the school.
- Please encourage your child to be as independent as possible when going to the toilet and when putting on their coat.
- Please remember to bring a small drawstring bag for your child to keep on their peg with spare underwear, trousers /skirt, socks and shoes. Could you also include a packet of wipes and a few nappy bags in case of accidents – thank you.
- Please make sure that ALL items of clothing are named, including shoes, so that they can be easily returned to their owners.
- Please also remember that all children should bring a named water bottle to school. This will be returned at the end of every day.