



# The Academy of Woodlands Nursery Newsletter

March 2025



## Welcome to all familiar faces and new to our nursery!

Here at Woodlands we welcome you and your children to a safe, secure and stimulating environment. Every child matters to us, their welfare and well being is paramount. Every child's individual needs are met through settings, planning and Parent/Carer reviews. We actively encourage Parent/Carer involvement and have an open door policy.

## Here you can find out more about what each room is doing this term and general information!



### Poppies

In Poppies room this term we will be exploring the 3 prime colours, red, yellow and blue. We will be experimenting with these colours through a range of activities such as painting, coloured playdough and gloop. The children will have the opportunity to have their own pancake to taste.



### Daisies

Daisies room are investigating the secondary colour's green, orange and purple. The children will be taking part in a variety of activities where they will be mixing different colours to make secondary colours.



### Buttercups

This term Buttercups children will be exploring 4 books to help enhance their vocabulary and interests. The books are Going on a Bear Hunt, Super Worm, Winnie under the Sea and Three Little Pigs.

The children will be doing lots of exciting activities associated with these books.



### Daffodils and Sunflowers



This term Daffodils and Sunflowers are continuing the NELI programme. Our books include Toby and the Tricky Things, Cinderella, How to Look After your Dinosaur, When a Dragon Goes to School, Little Red Riding Hood and The Boy and the Bear. We will be incorporating activities that cover all learning areas of the curriculum. We have made a display board named 'NELI everywhere'. We are filling it with pictures, crafts and photos of all the wonderful activities the children have been doing in Nursery and at home that connect with our NELI programme. Please feel free to send us photos through Tapestry or share activities directly with staff. We would love to hear what you have been doing!

If you have not already registered with your local library, why don't you pop along to see what exciting books are there.

**Forest School** As you are aware the children visit the Forest School weekly. Can you please make sure that all children have wellies and suitable clothing in the Nursery to use for their visit.

Thursday (AM) - Daffodils & Buttercups

Friday (AM) - Sunflowers, Poppies & Daisies



***Please could you make sure that you ring, email or use Studybugs if your child is unwell and unable to make their nursery session. This message will then be passed onto the room.***

**A Visit from The Tooth Fairy**  
**from MCH Children's Services:**  
**5th March 2025**



Some of our Nursery children will have the opportunity to visit the Tooth Fairy accompanied by HarVey Bear, who will demonstrate the importance of good oral health, through use of puppets, HarVey Bear's toothbrushing song, play and story telling.

Oral health is now included in the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum. This is because good oral health habits need to be formed from the earliest age. Tooth decay is largely preventable, but it's still a serious problem among young children. Poor oral health in children can lead to problems with eating, sleeping, socialising and learning.

Please can you remember to continue to bring your child's toothbrush/paste into Nursery if your child attends full day sessions.



**2 Year Funding**

We offer places for children entitled to the 2 year old funding scheme, 15 hours FREE childcare per week, term time only. To find out if you are entitled you can contact Family Information Service on 01634 332195 or familyinfo@medway.gov.uk

**3 Year Funding**



HM Government

Every child aged 3 and 4 years old are entitled to 15 hours FREE childcare per week, term time only, from the term after their 3rd birthday.

Some children with working Parents/Carers are entitled to an additional FREE 15 hours childcare per week.

To find out if you are eligible you can go to [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) **Please make sure that you renew your code on time every three months.**

**Dates to Remember**

Friday 14th March—Pyjama Day—Please see Nursery notice board for more details.

Friday 4th April Last Day of Term 4

Tuesday 22nd April First Day of Term 5

***A full list of term dates can be found on our website [www.theacademyofwoodlands.co.uk](http://www.theacademyofwoodlands.co.uk)***

**Remember clocks will go 1 hour forward on the 30th March 2025**

**Gate times:**

Please be reminded that the gates are shut from the times below:

8.20am—9am

2.45pm—3.30pm

***Please note the car park is not to be used for dropping the children off in the nursery.***

Please make sure you check our website/notice board for any updates.



**Dates to Remember!**

- ◆ Invoices are sent out on the 15th of the month.
- ◆ Invoices need to be paid by the 1st of the month. If not received by this date a £25 late charge will be applied.
- ◆ Any permanent session changes must be changed before the 10th of the month so that invoices can be amended accordingly.
- ◆ 1 month's written notice must be given when your child leaves the nursery.

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