



# Nursery Newsletter

Spring 1

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and that the children are excited to come back to school and feel **motivated** for our learning this half term.

We have lots of new children and families joining us this half term and we welcome them to our school! We are a kind school and always happy to help. Please ask if you have any questions.

The weather is a lot colder now so please ensure the children come into school with a named winter coat with a hat, scarf and gloves. Wellies and wet suits can stay on children's pegs if you wish to leave these.

## Dates for your diary

9th-15th February

Children's mental health week

10th February– Safer Internet Day

13th February– half term

We know that Politeness is SPENT at Norwich Road Academy.

**Politeness is SPENT**

Smile

Please

Excuse me

Name

Thank you

The children and staff follow this model.

## Academy Uniform

Good standards of dress and personal presentation help children to feel included, supports the ethos of our school, and promotes a positive attitude to work and behaviour.

Uniform identifies pupils to the local community as proud members of a school with high standards. The cooperation of all parents and carers is crucial in ensuring that children are always in correct uniform, and that they are successful in school.



## Our Value this half term is 'Motivate'

Motivate – A Norwich Road Academy Super Learner motivates themselves to do well in class and also helps to motivate others in their own learning. They are encouraging and supportive. Super Learners understand that things may not always be easy and demonstrate resilience in the face of challenge.

This half term we will be focusing on hard work and trying our best. We will be taking responsibility and recognising mistakes. We will be helping others in the classroom and on the playground by showing kindness.

# Curriculum Focus

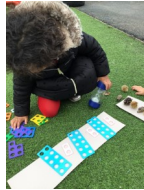
## English

For our English learning we use Talk4Writing which helps the children learn the story and re-tell it with the use of drawings.

In our English learning this half term, we will be reading the book 'Rainbowsaurus' which links to our topic of Dinosaurs. We will be exploring rainbows and colour mixing as part of our retelling. The book has lots of links to rhyming which we will support our Phonics learning.

## Maths

We will continue to use nursery rhymes to support our counting and build on our counting to 5 by learning to count to 10 this half term. We will also be using our counting skills to count out objects one at a time and learn that the last number we count is the total.



We will sing our nursery rhymes related to numbers to support our learning.

## Phonics

We will continue to use our Phonics scheme 'Little Wandle' to teach the phonic sounds and oral blending. We will also sing our key nursery rhymes linked to our Phonics learning; Sailor went to Sea, Hickory Dickory Dock and Incy Wincy Spider.

We will focus on sounds:

d,g,o,c,k,e



## Life Skills

This half term we will continue to develop our independence skills with dressing, including putting on their own shoes. We will also be learning to express our emotions and share how we are feeling using our words. From this we will build on children recognising how others feel.

We will be joining in with Children's Mental Health

Week and Safer Internet Day this half term.



## Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We will continue to use Primary Knowledge Curriculum to support our learning. This half term our topic is Dinosaurs! We will learn that Dinosaurs existed a long time ago, Palaeontologists and fossils. We will also learn the names of the different dinosaurs.



## How you can help

We are still building on the children's independence skills so please encourage your child to dress themselves. Putting on their own coat and shoes is essential for school life and a skill that will empower the children.

Please help them to be independent in their self care skills.



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