



# Nursery Newsletter

## Summer 2

Welcome to the second half of the summer term. The children have been working hard to get school ready and will continue to do so, in preparation for Reception. For all children, we will be focusing on independent skills such as taking off jumpers, putting on their own shoes as well as carrying their own belongings into school.

This term is always the hottest and we ask all children come into school with a sun hat. The children know to wear one outside throughout the summer season. We will support them in looking after their own hats so please ensure one is provided, along with a water bottle. We ask that sun lotion is applied at home, before school.

We are really looking forward to consolidating our learning this half term, and starting our transitions for September.



### Dates for your diary

**1st-7th June-Child Safety week**

**5th June- Science Day**

**22nd June- Sports Day**

**3rd July-Open Classrooms**

**17th July-last day of term**

At Norwich Road Academy everybody knows and is expected to follow the NRA Way!



### Attendance

Good attendance significantly boosts attainment. When children attend regularly, they experience consistent learning, develop strong foundational skills, and build positive routines. Each day missed can **lead to gaps** in knowledge and skills. Arriving on time at school everyday is essential to ensure your child does not miss out on learning opportunities.

#### Attendance Matters



It also helps them develop valuable life skills including responsibility and time management. Please help us by ensuring your child is in school everyday on time.

### Our Value this half term is 'Transform'



**Transform** - An NRA Super Learner knows how to transform themselves into a robust learner and has a mindset of confidence and resilience. They undertake different challenges and are not afraid of making mistakes. They know that they will change and grow, along with their challenges and how to overcome them.

This half term we will be focusing on reviewing our successes and setting ourselves new learning goals. Children will learn how they grow, how to be a good friend and responsibilities that come with age.

# Curriculum Focus

## English

This half term we will be using the story 'Little Red Hen' in our Talk4Writing learning. We will read the story and learn to retell this with actions. As well as this, we will be making our own bread, completing story related activities and talking about then animals that the hen meets along the way.



## Maths

In our Maths learning, we will be looking at shapes and learning the names of 3D shapes and some of their properties. We will also be looking at repeating patterns with colours and shapes as well as subitising to 5. This means we will be able to say the number by looking at dots— just like on a dice! We have some fun interactive games to support this, which we are excited to play! As always, we will be using nursery rhymes to support counting and patterns.

## Phonics

Using Little Wandle to support our phonics, we will be continuing our oral blending and segmenting. We will also be looking at our names and recognising our name and the initial letter. We have been using alliteration to support initial letters and will continue to do this with the children's letter, for example 'Jumping Jack'.



## Life Skills

In our personal, social and emotional development we will look at what makes a kind friend and how friends help us. We will also linking this to our topic about heroes and how real day heroes have helped people.

We will continue to learn about sharing, taking turns and using our words to communicate our feelings. We will further this and look how others are feeling and questions why they are feeling that way to develop the children's emotional intelligence.

## Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Our topic this half term is 'Heroes and Adventures' and we will be looking at explorers of the world such as Ernest Shackleton who travelled to Antarctica as well as learn about the first woman to go into space, Valentina Tereshkova. We will be using role play and small world to support our learning of adventures.



## How you can help

Please support your child in their dressing skills. As the weather warms up, children will want to take their jumper off. Please support your child to do this independently. Naming all belongings really helps us teach the children to look after their belongings, so please take some time to ensure all jumpers, coats and sun hats are named.



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