

# Next Steps @ St Johns



Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring

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### **This week at Nursery ...**

This week at nursery we have started to investigate animal life cycles. We have been sharing The Very Hungry Caterpillar story sack, using our imaginations to feed the little caterpillar, before a very fat caterpillar makes a cocoon and transforms into a butterfly.

In maths the children have been learning about symmetry painting their own designs on butterfly wings and folding to make symmetrical patterns.

The children are getting excited for Easter, so there has been lots of practice of fine motor skills, cutting around shapes to make chick pictures.

You may have noticed the skip outside of the nursery. We are preparing to move into the studio over the next few weeks and the children have been fully involved in the clearing of toys and furniture! We will keep you up to date on any further developments regarding the new building before the end of term.

### 24th March 2023

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Star of the Week

Our Star of the Week is

### Jacob

for being helpful and showing good listening.

Well done Jacob!



















### Summer Term Funding

A reminder to return the funding declaration form to inform us of the funding you wish to claim for nursery sessions for the summer term (from April 1st). This includes all 2 year funding, universal funding and extended hours funding.

If you are eligible for the extended funding for 3 year olds, please remember to renew your details before the end of your grace period.

If your child has turned 3 this term and you wish to apply for extended funding for next term (April onwards), please note you will need to apply before the deadline of 31st March.

Further details are available at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**3rd April - 11th April:** Nursery will be closed for the Easter Holiday. Nursery will be open again on Wednesday 12th April.

**31st July - 1th August:** Nursery Summer Closure. The Nursery will re-open on Monday 14th August.