



# Next Steps @ St Johns



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## This week at Nursery . . .



This week at nursery we have been enjoying some time in the sun! When it finally made an appearance, we wasted no time in getting outside and exploring the school grounds. The children have loved using the play equipment and the field. It has been great fun!



The children have also spent time preparing and cutting fruit to make tasty fruit kebabs. Perfect on a warm, sunny day!

Our maths learning has been focussed on patterns and the children have worked hard to make 2 and 3 colour repeats. Some of the children were challenged to notice when there was an error, or a part of the pattern had been removed. They impressed us with their logic and understanding!



Forest School this week was inspired by the ever changing spring weather. The children were invited to make a wind decoration! They each searched the woodland to find the perfect stick, and then spent time winding ribbons and wool on to decorate. The wind sticks were put to the test when we took them onto the field to watch them catch the wind and dance and float in the air! It was brilliant fun and the children were very proud of their creations.



You may have noticed that work has started on our outdoor area. We anticipate that this work will take approximately one week, and so hopefully we will be back to using our garden in a few days time. The builders are currently laying safety flooring, and we have plans to add in some new features so that our outside area can reflect the wonderful inside environment that we are so fortunate to have.



**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Otto**

For overcoming tricky challenge and developing lots of language!

**Well done!**





World Book Day was celebrated on Thursday with staff and children dressing up in costumes. We spent the day sharing lots of our favourite stories from home and used props and puppets to help us retell traditional and classic tales. We enjoyed some art-based activities, story sacks and a Julia Donaldson themed scavenger hunt. Each child will be bringing home a £1 book token to spend at local participating shops. There is also a digital/downloadable version at this website:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/book-token/digital-tokens/>

Some of you may be aware that Katie has been in the final stages of her college apprenticeship over the last few months. After a successful assessment day last week, we are pleased to tell you that she has now passed her level 3 qualification!

We are so proud of her and are sure that you join us in congratulating her on her fantastic achievement. Well done, Katie!



## Dates for the Diary

Easter Break: Friday 3rd April (Good Friday) - Monday 13th April. The Nursery will re-open Tuesday 14th April.

Monday 4th May: Bank Holiday. The Nursery will be closed.

Monday 25th May: Bank Holiday. The Nursery will be closed.

26th - 28th May The school kitchen will be closed for the half-term. Please bring packed lunches.

Summer Closure: The Nursery will be closed from Monday 3rd August to Friday 14th August inclusive.

## Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,  
How I wonder what you are!  
Up above the world so high,  
Like a diamond in the sky.  
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,  
How I wonder what you are!

