



## Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy Nursery Newsletter - April 2018

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### Summer Term 1 Topic: 'Roll Up, Roll Up!'

Our topic for this half-term is 'Roll Up, Roll Up!'. The topic will encompass aspects of work from all seven areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

We have outlined on the next page some of the ways in which this topic will link across the curriculum, and we have shown some of the activities in which your children will be involved in order to help with developing appropriate skills, knowledge and understanding. Below is an overview of this term's weekly theme:

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Half Term

Week Beg	Topic	Theme/Main Focus
16 <sup>th</sup> April	ROLL UP! ROLL UP!	Roll Up! Roll Up!
23 <sup>rd</sup> April		At the Circus
30 <sup>th</sup> April		Popcorn!
7 <sup>th</sup> May		Summer's Here!
14 <sup>th</sup> May		When the Circus came to Town!
21 <sup>st</sup> May		Showtime!



### Swimming

We should like to remind you that for reasons of hygiene and for the efficiency of the filter system, we require all children - boys and girls - to wear a swimming cap; you may purchase one from the school office for £1.50 if you wish. Please note that jewellery (including earrings) may not be worn for Health & Safety reasons as even small items can block up our filter system. Please remember that all items, including swimming costumes, hats, bags and towels need to be clearly marked with your child's name.

Should your child have a verruca they may still swim, providing they have a swim sock. These may be purchased from the office at £1.50 each. Additionally, in order to control infections in swimming pools, children should not be included in swimming lessons if:

- they have suffered from diarrhoea at any time in the 7 days prior to their lesson
- they have suffered from sickness at any time in the 3 days prior to their lesson

We should be grateful if you would follow these procedures and inform us accordingly if your child is to abstain from swimming at any time.

**Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)**

It is a Government requirement that any adults involved working with children either in the classroom, swimming etc. are required to complete a DBS application form. The office staff will send you a link to complete the form online, if you require any assistance in the completion of the form please do not hesitate to ask.

**Bicycles & Scooters**

Whilst we actively encourage the children to lead a healthy life style, which includes walking or cycling to school, in order to avoid any injuries to others all children must dismount from their bicycles/scooters outside the school gates and push them across the playground. We would also like to remind you that children should not be riding their bicycles/scooters in the playground at the beginning and end of the school day.

**Car Parking in Ralph Road**

If you travel to school by car, please be considerate when parking as we wish to maintain good relations with our neighbours. Parents should not park on the pavement, block resident's drive-ways and should keep clear of the zig-zag lines outside the school. It is extremely dangerous to carry-out U-turns on the road as this could endanger the safety of our children. It is highly advisable for the safety of the children that they only get out of the car on the kerb side and not the road side.

**Voluntary Contributions (Summer Term £19.50)**

Education in the UK is funded by the state for all children unless parents choose to opt out of the system and make alternative arrangements for their child. The level of funding provided by the state ensures a basic level of education is available to all. At Streetsbrook, we know that children benefit hugely from an education that is enriched by a range of practical activities, including welcoming visitors into school, regular cooking activities, and weekly swimming lessons. However, these additional activities cost money over and above the level of funding provided by the state. This term's voluntary contributions will continue to be used to buy some new resources in Nursery, a treat for the children on their school trip as well as a range of enrichment activities to enhance the topic. Weekly swimming lessons will also continue to take place.

A very sincere thank you to all of you who continue to support the school by paying these contributions. Without your continued support school would not be able to fund these additional activities. The amounts for the summer term are £1.50 weekly, £9.00 for this first half term and £10.50 for the second half term, or should you choose to pay the term in full £19.50.

Payments can be made via ParentPay in the usual way or if you wish to pay by cash please ask at the office and you will be given a bar-coded letter that you can take to your nearest PayPoint store. If you are experiencing any problems with ParentPay, please contact the school office.

**Student News**

We are fortunate to have Miss Patchett working in Nursery every Thursday and Friday until the end of May and also Miss Desmond who will be working on a Wednesday and Thursday until the 24<sup>th</sup> May. Both students are completing their Childcare Level 3 and are a huge asset to Nursery.

**Term Dates for 2018-19 & INSET Days**

The term dates and Inset Days for 2018-19 have now been confirmed and are displayed in the 'Parent Pages' of the school website.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Yours sincerely



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