



Puddleducks Weekly Newsletter

for week commencing 4th May 2021.

General Information:

A reminder that Monday 3rd May is a bank holiday. Puddleducks is closed. Our week commences Tuesday 4th May normal time. Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

We have released our term dates for the academic year 2021/22. This information will be distributed alongside this Newsletter.

Can we please continue to ask you to send in plenty of spare clothes for your child/ren. We always have water play available and the mud kitchen is a popular corner too, so we are finding that we could be changing a child 2 or 3 times during the day. Thank you.

Just to advise we are starting to look at possible future events, in the hope that all Covid-19 restrictions are relaxed by 21st June. Obviously at this stage we cannot elaborate further, however included in our planning are events such as a leavers performance, leavers party and sports day. We will keep you posted.

Cooked food menu this week is: Menu two

Please be aware cooked food is ordered each fortnight. Any new cooked meal requests are required by Wednesday 5th May to take effect from Wednesday 12th April 2021.

Learning Lounge: booster classes for all children where required

Letters & Sounds (all school leavers) – Cross the river. To blend phonemes and recognise the whole word.

Choose a selection of objects with two or three phonemes such as p-e-g, b-oa-t, b-all, h-a-t, b-us. Make a river across the floor with chalk or rope/string. The child calls out the name of the toy in sound talk (e.g. h-a-t) then blending say the word and cross the river.

Letters & Sounds (all Pre School) – Digging for treasure. To identify initial sounds in words

Collect two sets of objects suitable for use in a sand tray. Each set of objects must have names beginning with the same initial sound. Bury the objects in preparation. Once the game starts the children uncover the treasure recite the content of the set such as, *Wow! You've found a car. Now we have a cup, a cow, a candle and a car*

Individual Education plans (IEP's) – child specific

Social skills – Week 3 – Confidence

Blast – an interactive program designed to improve listening and speaking skills.

Week 3 – People sounds

Curriculum based booster classes – Children will dip in and out of these small group classes depending on their needs. They are designed to give a gentle nudge in the right direction to keep them on target for their developmental age.

Topic for term 5: Science & Nature

This week's topic – Animals around the world

Festival – May day (1st)

Focus activities – warmer weather and the changes that occur

Letters and Sounds – cross the river (school leavers) and digging for treasure (pre sch) (see above)

Show and tell – a toy animal

Toddler talk – Listen for the word

Baby Babble – Copy cats