



SCHOOL NEWS



This week we have been having lots of fun developing our painting skills. We have been exploring the 3 primary colours, mixing and experimenting with them to make further colours. We can now select resources and set up our own equipment both indoors and outdoors! Look out for our amazing artwork!

MESSAGE FROM FEDERATION LEADERS

Today we are at the Nursery World Show! We are excited to share with you the photo of our stand. We have had lots of people interested in how our federation works and asking for our advice. Hayley will be delivering a talk on Saturday - look out on our Facebook Page for photos from the event!



FEDERATION IMPROVEMENT PRIORITY

Our Federation Improvement Priority (FIP) this term is:

"To ensure that children learn to consolidate and develop taught skills beyond adult led sessions."

We hoped that you found the 'Top Tips' for talking to your child about their day useful.

Staff received training on Wednesday night on 'Prioritising communication and language in the curriculum.' This was in response to the latest research shared from Ofsted. Did you know:

'Vocabulary size relates to academic success Such correlations between vocabulary size and life chances are as firm as any correlations in educational research.'

We have high ambitions for all our children in Oxhey Nursery School both while they are in Nursery and beyond so we now have a range of strategies in place to ensure that children leave us having been exposed to deliberate, planned vocabulary.

You can support by:

- using the 'Roots top tips guide to asking your child about their day'
- making protected short bursts of time to talk with your child each day

SIGN OF THE WEEK

At the Nursery we teach all children to sign. This supports communication and ensures the communication of all children is valued. Ask any staff member to show you if you are unsure.

Sign of the week: Share



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INFORMATION

Drinking Water

All children have access to fresh water at all points in the day during their session. We have water coolers and plenty of clean cups. All children are encouraged to drink from cups for the following reasons:

- the majority of children are developmentally ready to drink from cups; continued use of water spouts is not good for oral muscles and the development of oral muscles
- if we did have a large number of water bottles in class it is very difficult to monitor whether children are drinking from their own bottles therefore cross contamination from germs could happen
- we do not have cool spaces for bottles so often the water can warm up across a day

Please speak to your child's keyperson if you feel your child requires a water bottle due to medical reasons as a health care plan will need to be completed.

STAFFING NEWS

You will be aware that Komal has been working in the role of HR apprentice. She has recently been appointed as an HR advisor for the local authority. This is a great achievement and Komal will be able to put all of her training to good use and continue her career into supporting schools across Hertfordshire. We are delighted for Komal; whilst we will miss her enormously here at Oxhey this is a great move for her personally.



'It has been humbly rewarding to be a part of supporting the development of the children at Oxhey Nursery School and watching them grow into aspiring individuals. There are many moments that I will cherish, and I wish all the little people the best for the future!'



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