

Cherry Blossom

Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletter

At Martenscroft we are expressive, mindful, responsible and inquisitive so we can play, learn and grow.

This half term our learning theme is:

Living and Growing

In each curriculum area we will be learning:

Holistic Health

(Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Physical Development, Mindfulness, Emotional Literacy, Wellbeing Rights Respecting, Individual Needs)

As the weather gets nicer, we will be spending more time outdoors to experience the weather changes and witness the spring flowers blossoming. We will be filling our planters and planting wildflowers. We are playing the Freeze Dance song before dinner and tea to help our children to learn routine. We will be emphasising on Article 31 of Rights Respecting "the right to rest, play, culture and arts".

Expressive Me

(Communication and Language, Literacy, Languages, Signing & Visuals, Expressive Arts and Design)

Our Literacy focus is on living and growing, farm cycles and minibeasts. We are singing Old McDonald Had A Farm, The Ants Go Marching, and lots of number rhymes. Our art activities stem from our spring theme and creating with natural resources. We are sharing lots of books in nursery and encouraging our children to explore books independently. We will be asking children to bring their favourite book from home on Thursday 6th March as it is World Book Day!

Global Responsibility

(Eco School, Cultural Diversity, Global Citizenship, Environmental Impact, Community Responsibility, Research Projects)

We will be embracing many cultural celebrations in the rooms and afterschool events. The children will learn about Eid (Islamic Festival in March/April). The whole centre will be hosting an International Women's Day yoga event in the hall, everyone is welcome.

Inventive Ideas

(Maths, Understanding the World, Technology, Engineering, Cooking, Social media)

We have some new maths resources and we are playing with puzzles, stacking blocks and construction to develop skills of counting, problem solving, thinking and creativity. We will be trying to use as much maths language as we can, to introduce the children to it as young as possible.

Reminders:

- Please remember to check the Parent/Carer information board for updates about your child.
- If you can please pot some observations from home on Tapestry

Quote of the term:

"Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning."