



Blackthorn Primary School

Nursery Autumn 2 Newsletter



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Welcome to our Nursery! We are looking forward to welcoming children to our Nursery!
This Curriculum newsletter aims to give you an insight into what we will be learning this term.
Please talk to your child about what he/she is learning at nursery

Our Topic

This term our topic is Celebrations! We will be exploring this through a range of activities and play. Children will experience celebrations from different cultures and we will be asking the children to speak about their own celebrations. We will continue to build and support friendships between peers and have lots of fun!

Applying for Primary School Place

September 2021

If your child turns 4 between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, you should apply for their reception place by **15 January 2021**.

To apply, visit School admissions section at

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk



Tapestry

At Nursery, we observe, plan and assess using Tapestry to meet your child's individual needs. We encourage parents to take an active part in their child's learning and share with us all the fantastic things your child can do. Parents can do this by uploading observations of their child at home using individual accounts. If you need any support, please speak to a member of the EYFS team.

30 hours funding and additional hours

From September, we are pleased to offer 30 hours free childcare for the parents who are eligible for this. (Please see **www.childcarechoices.gov.uk** for more details and to check eligibility).

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the school on 01604407254



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OPEN DAYS - New Reception Parents

If you are looking for a welcoming school for your child in September 2021, come and join us on:

24th November 2020

1st December 2020

Tours are strictly by appointment only!!!

Please phone the School Office
on 01604 407254

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Toilet training

Using a toilet is a new skill for your child to learn. It's best to take it slowly and go at your child's pace. Being patient with them will help them get it right, even if you sometimes feel frustrated.

Children are able to control their bladder and bowels when they're physically ready and when they want to be dry and clean.

Most children can control their bowels before their bladder.

By age 3, 9 out of 10 children are dry most days – even then, all children have the odd accident, especially when they're excited, upset or absorbed in something else

By age 4, most children are reliably dry during the day.

It usually takes a little longer for children to learn to stay dry throughout the night. Although most learn this between the ages of 3 and 5, up to 1 in 5 children aged 5 sometimes wet the bed.

Is my child ready?

You can try to work out when your child is ready. There are a number of signs that your child is starting to develop bladder control:

Children know when they've got a wet or dirty nappy

they get to know when they're peeing and may tell you they're doing it

the gap between wetting is at least an hour (if it's less, potty training may fail, and at the very least will be extremely hard work for you)

Children show they need to pee by fidgeting or going somewhere quiet or hidden

Children know when they need to pee and may say so in advance.

How to start toilet training?

Keep the potty in the bathroom. If that's upstairs, keep another potty downstairs so your child can reach the potty easily wherever they are. The idea is to make sitting on the potty part of everyday life for your child.

Encourage your child to sit on the potty after meals, because digesting food often leads to an urge to do a poo. Having a book to look at or toys to play with can help your child sit still on the potty.

If your child regularly does a poo at the same time each day, leave their nappy off and suggest that they go in the potty. If your child is even the slightest bit upset by the idea, just put the nappy back on and leave it a few more weeks before trying again.

Using the toilet instead of the potty

Some children start using the toilet instead of the potty earlier than others. A child's trainer seat that clips onto the toilet can help make your child feel safer and more confident on the toilet. A step for your child to rest their feet on gets your child in a good position for doing a poo.

Potty training pants and pull-ups

Disposable or washable potty training pants (also called pull-ups) can be handy when you start potty training and can give children confidence when it's time to swap nappies for "grown-up" pants. They do not soak up wee as well as disposable nappies, so your child will find it easier to tell when they are wet.

Training pants should be a step towards normal pants, rather than a replacement for nappies. Encourage your child to keep their training pants dry by using the potty.