



# Ruby Newsletter

## February, Term 4



### This Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a wonderful half term. This term, we'll be tuning into our senses as we explore the colours, textures and fragrances of flowers, herbs and the natural world around us. The children will have the chance to plant bulbs and seeds, observe how they grow in sunshine and showers, and enjoy weekly adventures in our onsite forest school. We'll also be role-playing as florists and customers to bring our learning to life through imaginative play.

In maths, we'll be developing our understanding of place value within 50 and learning to measure length and height using a range of tools. In phonics, we will continue our Little Wandle interventions, practising tricky words and strengthening spelling skills linked to our current phase. Our Learning for Life sessions this term will focus on recognising that our bodies belong to us and understanding personal space, helping children build confidence and respectful boundaries.

### **Signs learnt last term:**

| Week | Sign           |
|------|----------------|
| 1    | Superhero      |
| 2    | Brave          |
| 3    | Fire Fighter   |
| 4    | Police Officer |
| 5    | Doctor         |
| 6    | Teacher        |

### **Key Vocabulary:**

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| • Senses   | • Bulb       |
| • Flower   | • Seed       |
| • Plants   | • Grow       |
| • Herbs    | • Leaf       |
| • Florist  | • Life cycle |
| • Gardener | • Health     |

### **Important Dates**

This Friday, the 27<sup>th</sup>, we are marking St David's Day (as it falls on Sunday). Everyone is invited wear red/white/green or daffodil yellow.

Laleham's World Book Day: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Easter/Animal themed Wellbeing Day and end of term: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

### **Details to follow**

### **Reminders**

Please can the pupils come in wearing their P.E kits on **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays** this term as we will be having rugby sessions with a coach from Thanet Wanderers, as well as our usual PE sessions.

We will also be exploring the onsite forest school on **Wednesday** afternoons this term so please can children also have wellies and a waterproof coat or suit for this.

Just a little reminder to name all the children's clothing and belongings, this helps us to reunite it quickly and reduces anxiety when items are misplaced. The children are welcome to bring in a small healthy snack for break, for example a piece of fruit/vegetable or crackers.

Please do not hesitate to use the Class Dojo app to communicate with us. We also use this app during the school day to reward the children for positive contributions which can be shared with you also.