



NEWSLETTER



PARENT INFO:

Our gates are locked each day at 9:15am, please aim to arrive between 9-9:15am to avoid disruption of the day. If you are running late or your child won't be in, please let us know before 9am if possible. We are best

contactable on the work phone:
+447424563447

Please send your child in with **nappies** and **not pull-ups** and ensure there are wipes available in their bag.

Term dates:

Spring term:

Monday January 5th - March 27th 2026.

Half term: 16th-20th February 2026.

Monday February 23rd CLOSED: INSET DAY

SAVE THE DATE!

Mothers day breakfast: Monday 16th March. If your child is in on a Monday, please join us at drop off for a "breakfast with mum".

Further correspondence to follow.



CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

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WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

This week, the children have been exploring construction and block play, and we will continue to build on this interest next week. Construction play includes activities such as building with blocks, loose parts, magnets, and large-scale outdoor resources.



Rainbows have had a busy and creative week. The children have enjoyed exploring a variety of tools, and the construction site role-play area has been a real hit. They loved dressing up as construction workers and designing their own buildings and homes. Through this, they have been working on symmetry, teamwork, and collaborative play. Outdoors, the mud kitchen has been very popular, with lots of messy play, as well as building dens and exploring together.



Sunbeams have also had a fantastic week. They have enjoyed dressing up and taking part in safe-food tuff tray activities, such as playing with diggers and weetabix. The children have been building with magnets, practising colour identification, and developing co-operative play and turn-taking skills. The car wash and sand play have been firm favourites, providing lots of opportunities for sensory exploration and imaginative play.



TAKE A CLOSER LOOK:





Home learning:

**Have a go at some of these activities at home,
take a picture and share it on tapestry!**

- Encourage your child to build using blocks, boxes, cushions, or recycled materials such as cardboard tubes and small containers.
- Talk with your child about what they are building. Ask open-ended questions like “How did you make that stand up?” or “What could we try next?” to support thinking and language.
- Join in with role play by pretending to be builders, architects, or engineers. This helps develop imagination, confidence, and communication skills.
- Support problem-solving by allowing time and space for your child to try, test, and adapt their ideas – it’s okay if things fall down!
- When building together, practise turn-taking and teamwork by sharing materials and planning together.
- Outdoors, encourage large-scale building using natural materials such as sticks, stones, or blankets to make dens, supporting physical development and creativity.
- Most importantly, celebrate your child’s ideas and efforts – construction play is about the process, not the finished result.



Value of the month:

Resilience. This includes emotional, social, problem-solving and physical resilience.

I can:

- Try again when something is hard.
- Feel upset and still calm down with support.
- Say “stop” or “no” when I don’ t like something.
- Fix small mistakes, like rebuilding a tower.
- Wait a little bit when it’ s not my turn.
- Try new activities even if they feel tricky.
- Practice climbing, jumping, or balancing safely.
- Try doing things by myself (getting dressed, tidying, etc.)

Children's Workshop

Golden Rules



1.

Be kind:

- Gentle hands
- Kind words
- Caring for our toys



2.

Be safe:

- Walking inside
- Hands to ourselves



3.

Be ready:

- Listening ears
- Looking eyes

