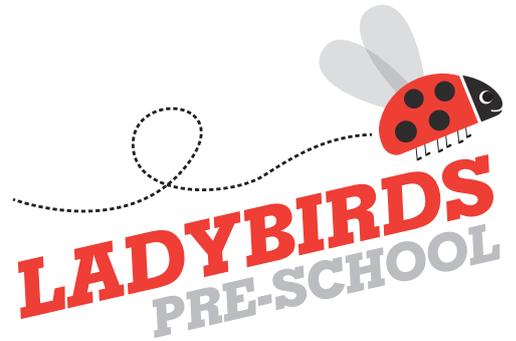




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Spring 2018 Newsletter

'My Learning Journey'

Your child's *Learning Journey* is the name given to the developmental records we maintain on your child. The staff are busy updating them currently and we will have them ready for you to view after half term.

If you would like to see your child's Learning Journey at any time during the term please ask your child's Key worker. In addition we now offer home visits to all children and families if required and we are also happy to offer a private meeting to review your child's Learning Journey

Term Dates

Spring Term 2018

Begins: Thursday 4 January 2018

Ends: Thursday 29 March 2018

Spring Half Term: 12 –16 Feb 2018

PD Days: 19 February

Dates For Your Diary

1st Feb – Forest School Morning

8th Feb – Forest School Morning

1st March – Forest School Morning

8th March – Forest School Morning

15th March – Forest School Morning

Easter Egg Hunt in Royston Wood on 29th March

Welcome

We would like to say hello and welcome to our new Ladybirds joining this term –

Thomas, William & Ethan

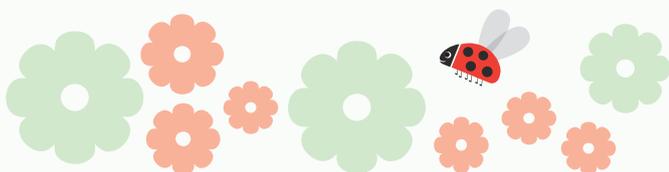
For more news and photos visit:

www.ladybirdsleavenheath.com

www.facebook.com/ladybirdsleavenheath

Our Garden

Even though our outdoor area is dormant at the moment, the children still love being outside so thank you for sending in their wellies and coats. The sand/leaf/mud pie kitchen is a favourite – but so is the little Wendy House which often becomes a well known drive through take away – usually very expensive!! We will be watching out for signs of spring in the garden and planting some more primroses and pansies.



Congratulations Stella!

Stella has passed her forest school training and is now a qualified Forest School Leader! Well done Stella!

We have been encouraging the children to recycle their paper and cardboard in our new mini blue bin with great success. This should hopefully enable them to make connections with any recycling done at home.



Themes For This Term

Additional information about crafts and activities are posted on our blog at the start of each week – www.ladybirdsleavenheath.com

Week Commencing	Theme	Sound of the week*	Forest School
04/01	Settling in	u	
08/01	Settling in	u	
15/01	Winter	l	
22/01	<i>Going on a Bear Hunt</i> book theme	f	
29/01	All About Me	review u, l, f	
05/02	Valentine's Day and pancakes	b	
19/02	Chinese New Year: Year of the Dog	s	
26/02	World Book Day / <i>Giraffes Can't Dance</i>	a	
05/03	Mother's Day	review b, s, a	
12/03	Dinosaurs & eggs	t	
19/03	Easter	i	
26/03	Easter	review t, i,	

*Please help your child find an object to bring in each week that begins with the 'sound of the week'.

Children's Personal Belongings

Please ensure all your child's belongings including lunch boxes are named, and that they have a change of clothing for messy activities. Where needed please include wipes and nappies and spare clothing and underwear.

You will have noticed our mobile trolley in the Lobby, could we ask you to place your child's outdoor wear on this, including coat, wellies, gloves and hat.

Get Comfy!

Some of the children have been bringing in slippers so if your child would like to do so then please feel free to send them in, with their name written somewhere on them ideally. We find that many of the children (and adults!) are more comfortable sitting on the carpets in slippers or soft shoes.

Ladybirds Committee News

Thank you to all who attended the Parent Social event in January. We look forward to similar events in the future. If you have not yet joined the parents 'whatsapp' group, please contact Josie on 07792334443 who will add you to the group.

As a charity it is essential that Ladybirds has full committee to operate, and we are currently working with minimum numbers. Getting involved is a wonderful way to be involved in your child's pre-school setting

and isn't a big commitment. If there are any parents/carers or grandparents who would like to get involved we would love to hear from you.

The next meeting is the 6th March 2018.

For more information about joining or supporting the committee please call Jodie Marshall on 07803035013 or Jodieemarschall@hotmail.co.uk

Collection of Children

If you would like your child to be collected by someone who is not on our list of authorised people, please notify a member of staff who will record the name of the person collecting, and ask them for identification on arrival.

Policies & Procedures

Our Policies are regularly reviewed and updated and available for you to read in our Foyer.

Our setting is committed to safeguarding children and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults at all times and expects everybody working within this setting to share this commitment.

Uniforms



If you would like to order a uniform for your child you can do so by contacting –

Needlepoint Designs

17 Gaol Lane
Sudbury
Suffolk CO10 1JL

Tel: 01787 882341

www.needlepoint.co.uk

Information on styles, sizes and prices can be found on the Ladybirds website.