

Our learning

What a glorious start we have had to the new term, it is certainly a joy to see the sunshine. As we move into the summer season please can you ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather—sunhats, covered shoulders, appropriate footwear that can be fastened etc. Thank you.

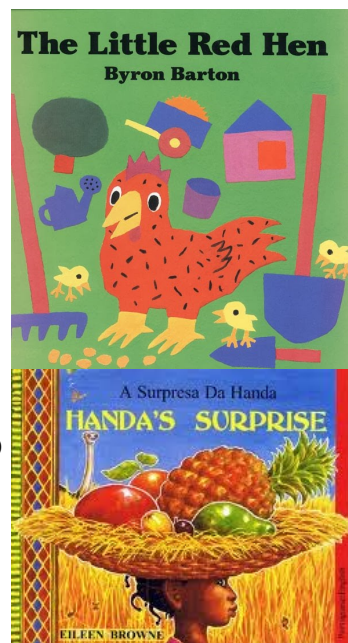
This term the children have been listening to the story of The Little Red Hen and following the message of the story by helping each other and working together to reach to an end shared goal. The children have also been making bread.

We will be moving on to the story book Handa's Surprise and exploring the different fresh fruits in the story. You can help to support this story by exploring different fruit and vegetables with your child. Talk about the shape and textures of the fruits. What do they taste like? How do you prepare them? Do you like them?

Home bags

We have recently been given several 'home bags'. Home bags are bags containing different themed equipment/toys for you to share at home with your child. For example, some bags contain items to play together in the park, others have cooking utensils or bath toys, etc.

If you are offered a bag to take home please keep it for a few days/a week and enjoy spending time with your child playing with the bags contents. Each bag is designed to provide lots of opportunities for you to talk together, share experiences and have fun. Do let us know how you get on and then return the bag back to your child's key worker when you have finished so it can be shared with another family. Thank you.



Packed Lunches—grapes

If you are offering grapes to your child in their lunch box please ensure that they are chopped in half lengthways. Whole grapes are a choking hazard.



April's Gallery



Other news

Summer shoes

Please ensure that your child has suitable footwear for nursery. In the summer time it is tempting to let your child wear flip flops or sliding shoes. We do not recommend this type of footwear at Chestnut as they do not provide adequate support.

Sliders and other slip on shoes will mean that your child often uses their toes to grip onto the shoes and to stop them from falling off. This puts strain on the toes and doesn't allow them to use the whole foot when standing up and moving about. A shoe that has an adjustable fastening means that they can stay on little feet securely allowing young children balance using their whole foot.



School places

If your child is going to school this September you will have heard which school your child has been allocated to. Please can you let your child's key worker know so that we can begin the process of transition. We will then contact their next schools and begin a dialogue with their new setting to ensure a smooth transition.

Forest School

We now have an official Forest School! Emma has finished her Forest School training and has qualified as a Forest School Leader.

Each key group has a session every other week at Forest School in our Apple Garden. The children enjoy holistic play, learning about the natural environment, managing risks and working as a group. Forest School sessions are shared on Tapestry.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 13th May

- Gardening Club—straight after school until 4pm. Come along and support the children with the gardening

Friday 2nd May

- @ 2.40pm Community Litterpick—parents and children

Monday 5th May

- Bank Holiday—Chestnut Nursery School is closed

Friday 23rd May

- Last day of half term

Monday 2nd June

- First day of half term

Thursday 5th June

- Toilet training workshop @ 1.45pm



