

Spring 1 Newsletter

Nature Detectives!

Nursery

6th January

We will start off our new topic by reading the book **'Winter Senses'** by Dee Smith. The children will recall their previous work on their senses and will use them to explore winter. They will use all 5 senses to discuss what they see outside in Winter and will learn about the different types of weather. They will investigate how to melt ice.

27th January

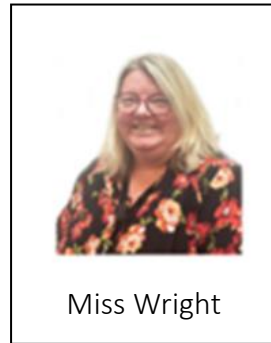
This week we will find out what it means to hibernate. We will find out which animals hibernate and where they hibernate, paying particular attention to forests and what we might see in one. We will support our understanding of this by reading **'Winter sleep'** by Sean Taylor. We will create a big class information book about hibernating.

10th February

This week we will finish off our half term with a curriculum morning, where we will retell the 'We are going on a bear hunt' story. The teachers will create a big version of key points in the story in the outside area and children will walk round and recall what happens. It will be 'beary' exciting!

13th January

'Robin's Winter Song' by Suzanne Barton is the book we will use to continue our work on what winter is like. It's about a robin who finds out about winter for the first time. We will listen carefully and begin to identify rhyming words. We will also sequence some pictures from the story to show that we can remember what happens in it. We will create a painting of a robin and explore mixing colours to create brown.



Miss Wright



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PE and Forest Fridays

How exciting that Nursery now have a PE session each week! Children will need to come to school in their PE kits every **Thursday**. The PE kit is a pale blue t-shirt, navy shorts and black pumps. Children will need navy jogging bottoms and a navy hoodie for when they do PE outside.

Forest Fridays will continue during Spring 1. On a Friday, children should still wear their uniform. They will need to bring a pair of wellies to change into and a change of clothes in their bag in case they get wet or muddy. A waterproof coat or puddle suit would be great if the children already have them to bring, if not then they must have a warm coat each Friday please.

20th January

This week we will read **'A snowy day'** by Ezra Jack Keats. Following on from this we will investigate and sort the clothes that are the best to keep us warm in winter. We will also find out about the activities that we can do outside when it is winter. We will work together to create a new fun game to play when outside.

3rd February

Our learning this week will be based around **'We are going on a bear hunt'** by Michael Rosen. We will think about packing a picnic to take on a bear hunt and we will make our own sandwiches, using equipment to spread the bread and to cut the bread into four pieces. We will wrap them up, wrap ourselves up and then eat them outside!

Reminders

Please make sure that all of children's belongings are labelled with their name. Children need to bring a water bottle everyday please. Children should not bring in toys from home as they may get lost or broken.