

May 2025

Dear Nursery families,

SUMMER TERM 2025

Welcome back to a new and exciting term. We hope you all had a wonderful spring break and look forward to a happy, eventful and very special summer term.

Our Topics

Our learning in nursery for the first half term will be based around the theme of 'Real Life Superheroes!' We are going to investigate the roles of different people in our community and find out how they help others. We invite any nursery family members in to talk about their job role, or to send in photographs. Please see Dojo for more information. To help embed our learning, we will enjoy a trip to Tiny Town Adventures where the children will be able to express themselves and develop their understanding of the world through collaborative role play. On Thursday 8th May, our nursery will be transformed into a Teddy Bear Hospital! There will be several stations for your children and their teddy bears to explore, including an x-ray station, a sensory station and a consultation station.

Our Traditional Tale this half term is 'The Gingerbread Man'. We will practise being super storytellers and will create story maps to help us retell the story. We will also become bakers and will enjoy making and decorating our very own gingerbread!

Our final half term will follow the theme of 'Changing and Growing'. We will learn about the lifecycle of a butterfly and will work together to look after our very own class caterpillars! We will plant flowers and buds to observe, look after and help transform our nursery garden for summer. Our Traditional Tale will be, 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and we can't wait to investigate what happens as we plant our own beans! We will also think about how we have grown and changed since starting nursery and will celebrate the amazing and very grown-up things we can do now.

We look forward to inviting you in to our nursery on many occasions over the final few months together. We have some exciting plans for our Father's Day celebrations in June, will enjoy our very own Sports Day next half term and will invite all families to an end of year family picnic in our nursery garden.

Alongside our topics, we will continue to develop important speaking and listening skills and learn to recognise, segment and blend sounds in words. We will practise writing our names and holding our pencils using the correct grip, ready for starting school in September.

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Sound of the Week

Each Monday we will continue to introduce different letter sounds to the children. Thank you to all the parents and carers who are supporting their children to watch our videos and bring in objects that begin with the letter sound each week - it really does make a difference. You can find our sounds of the week on our calendar, on the display in the nursery corridor and on our Class Dojo page.

Transition to School

As the term progresses, we will be carefully considering how to ensure the children have a positive transition into their reception year either here at Haydn or into their new setting. We will keep you informed of any information regarding this nearer the time. At home, it would be brilliant for the children to continue to build their independence and become 'school ready' by dressing themselves, practising their coat zip, enjoying reading stories every day with a grown-up and practise writing their name (with a capital letter at the start and lowercase letters following).

School Weekly Newsletter

Please remember to check the weekly newsletter for key dates and information. This will be emailed to you every Friday. Also, a reminder that our Class Dojo is regularly updated with upcoming dates and reminders.

Finally, may we remind you to **please label all items of school uniform and water bottles**. As the weather warms up, please provide a cap/sun hat to protect your child from the heat. Please apply sun cream before attending nursery. If your child stays all day, please pop a small bottle in their school bag and we can help them to re-apply this at lunch time.

We look forward to an exciting term ahead. Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

The Nursery Team