



NEWS 8 – APRIL 2025: SPRING TERM

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APRIL		TOPIC: ME & MY FAMILY			CELEBRATIONS / EVENTS	WK
WEEK	DATE	CUB FOCUS	BEAR FOCUS	SWAN FOCUS		
1	1 - 4	Focus Weeks : All About Me - Interests & Targets			Tuesday Eid 2 nd April	1
2	8 - 11				Easter Show 9 th	2
3	15 - 18	Easter games and activities			Vaisakhi 15 th	3
4	22 - 25	CLOSED EASTER BREAK			CLOSED FRIDAY	4



EVENTS THIS MONTH ...

EID UL FITRE CELEBRATION: Wednesday 2nd April: Eid ul-Fitr is a three day Muslim festival that marks the end of the fasting month of Ramadan. Eid is a special day for Swan Izzy and her family. Muslims across the world begin Eid celebrations with prayers, followed by a day of visiting relatives and friends, feasts and sharing of sweets.

SWAN EASTER SHOW: Wednesday 9th April: The swans will be performing Jack & the Beanstalk. Further details will be sent out to the swan families.

VAISAKHI CELEBRATION: Tuesday 15th April: DATE Vaisakhi is the harvest festival of Punjab. It is one of the most important dates in the Sikh calendar. Vaisakhi is celebrated with parades, singing and dancing, with people wearing colourful traditional clothing. Vaisakhi is a special day for Aveer and Zoravar and their families.

TOPIC – ME AND MY COMMUNITY : What your child will be learning at nursery this month And how you can mirror, extend & support their learning at home ...

What all the children will be thinking about and learning	Home learning for the cubs ...	Home learning for the bears ...	Home learning for the swans ...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to talk about what makes me and my body healthy. What makes me happy, what makes me sad? What do my friends like best? How am I the same, how am I different? We will be sharing our interests, our family boards and our favourite music together. Meaning of celebrations, we will be celebrating Easter, Vaisakhi and Eid. Who celebrates at home? How do we celebrate these occasions at home and Nursery? What else do we celebrate? Birthdays, St Patrick's Day, Christmas etc. Can you remember how we celebrated? 	<p>Introduce Nursery phrases and signs at home "Healthy" and "Celebrate" same sign for party</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div> <p>Both hands start open on chest then move forward into thumbs up.</p> <p>With thumb and little finger extended, twist hands forward and backwards.</p> <p>Encourage your cub to help you make or prepare a range of meals & snacks, from washing items to stirring & tipping in ingredients there are lots of ways to safely help and develop physical skills too.</p> <p>Talk about & give your child a choice between 2 food items, whether it be which vegetable to have with a meal or a snack choice this will help them develop positive relationship with food & allow them to be involved in making healthy choices for their body. All food is good food, there are no badfoods, it's about balance & having little bits of all food types.</p> <p>Talk with your cub about your daily routines at home, dinner is finished, now its time for ... pause can they fill in what's next ... bath time, story time, bed time.</p>	<p>Through your daily routines explain why we clean our teeth, have a bath, ride your scooter, eat a range of foods, "we are keeping healthy" encouraging healthy life habits with praising your Bear.</p> <p>Encourage your bear to help you make or prepare a range of meals & snacks at home. Support them trying new foods, whether it's a new snack or a new fruit. Praise for trying, a smell, a lick, a nibble, not always eating new foods but saying, you might like it next time. All food is good food, there are no badfoods, it's about balance & having little bits of all food types to help us grow strong and healthily.</p> <p>How will you celebrate? Easter, Vaisakhi, Eid. What do you do at home and Why? Take photos of your celebrations to look at with your bear after your celebrations have ended. Thinking about and remembering experiences helps children make sense of what happened and how they felt at the time.</p> <p>We'd love to see your celebration, please send in a photo to share with your friends too!</p>	<p>Let your swan become involved with preparing food. Washing the vegetables, chopping, and grating. Talking about being safe with tools.</p> <p>Support tasting new foods using the five senses. 1. We touch – how does it feel? 2. Look – what colour is it? 3. Smell. 4. Taste - a little taste (a small bite, or a big bite or maybe just a taste with your tongue). 5. Eat if you are ready. Listen can you hear any crunchy noise?</p> <p>Praise for trying, not always eating new foods but saying, you might like it next time. All food is good food, there are no badfoods, it's about balance & having little bits of all food types to help us grow strong and healthily.</p> <p>Celebrations are exciting and we are discovering new celebrations that we can share with our friends, some that are the same as our family's celebrations and some celebrations are different.</p> <p>We would love to share and remember each other's celebrations. Please send us photos of any celebration in your family for us to chat about at Nursery, St Patrick's Day, Easter, Vaisakhi, Eid, Mother's day or Birthdays.</p>