

Spring 1 Term (January- February)

There has been lots of fun and fantastic learning again during this Half Term at Kintore Way. We were very happy to welcome children back after their Christmas Break and were excited to meet the new families sending their children to our classes for the first time in January.

We hit the ground running, as it were, re-reading our books from last term and introducing the children new to Rainforest and River Rooms, to these wonderful books. Singing these popular songs in a group altogether, supported our new children to feel part of the class. If you need a reminder of these songs, do look on our website. We will hand the song/rhyme lyric sheets to new parents this week. If you need a new copy do ask your class teacher. We will be having a family sing-a-long at the end of next term so keeping practising!

Children’s imagination and creativity as well as their language skills are developed as they learn these songs and rhymes. Please do remember to bring in your child’s school book bag and to take home books to read during the half-term break.

Making Porridge

We have been making porridge for to support children’s enjoyment of our core book ‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears.’ Children have been learning the language of size and comparative size.



Songs we have been learning

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Let’s Put On Our Mittens

Teddy Bear’s Picnic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kqd2ePU9sZY>

Pease Pudding Hot

When Goldilocks Went to the House of the Bears

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VxEk-tl-GUQ>

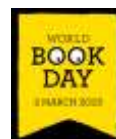
Core Books for the Spring 1 Term

Please find below some some of the stories and books we have enjoyed reading with your children:

2-3’s ‘Peace at Last’ and ‘Dear Zoo.’



3-4’s ‘We’re Going on a Bear Hunt’, ‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears’



World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March. There will be a range of activities taking place the week beginning 27th Feb and 6th March. Our events will take place over two weeks. We really want to encourage our families to come in and read stories to the children. More details will follow.

Safer Internet Day- Tuesday 7th February 2023



We want everyone to be aware of Safer Internet Day. We spend so much of our time online and our children have access to the internet via our phones, tablets and computers. One in every three children under 5 have their own tablet. It is important to monitor their safety when using these devices.

Here is a link to a very helpful leaflet that gives lots of ideas about how to make sure everyone is keeping safe online:

<https://www.childnet.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Keeping-Under-Fives-Safe-Online2.pdf>

We recommend you always supervise children when they are online and ensure **parental controls** and filters are in place.

We have attached some stories you can read with your child about internet safety.

Vodafone also have lots of useful information about internet safety.

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/newscentre/smart-living/digital-parenting/>

Dates for your diary

The **half-term break** is **13th – 17th February 2023** (inclusive).

1PW and **FT** children return on

Monday 20th February (1PW is Mon/Tue/Wed).

2PW children come back on **Thursday 23rd February** (2PW is Thu/Fri).

Teacher strike days

2nd, 15th and 16th March

We will inform you closer to the time if these will be going ahead and whether there will be any part closure of the school.

We have our termly **Parent Conference meetings on Wednesday 15^h March –**

this is an opportunity to talk to your child's key person about their learning and progress. There will be no nursery session on this day.

Parent and Carers Get Together

There will be an opportunity to have some refreshments in the school hall, and get some ideas for helping your child manage their emotions and feeling and hear some of our behaviour 'Top Tips'. Find out what we mean by the term 'Emotion Coaching.'

Refreshments will be available from 8.45 am-9.20 am and the talk will start at 9.30-10.30 am on **Wednesday 1st March.**

This session will be repeated on **Wed 22nd March** at the same time.

There will also be a session on **Wed 22nd March 2.30pm to 3.30pm.**



It is Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week 6th -12th February and the theme is 'Let's Connect' You will find a really useful clip that shows how connecting and tuning into children can help them manage their feelings and regulate their emotions.

<https://youtu.be/7KJa32r07xk>

<https://www.emotioncoachinguk.com/for-professionals>