 Bentilee Nursery School,

Dawlish Drive,

Bentilee

ST2 0HW

**January 2025 *Happy New Year!!!!!***

***We are back to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025***

***Dear Parents of children who attend Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning- Group 1***

*We hope you have all had a good holiday break. We look forward to getting to know you better this term and we are looking forward to teaching your child many more new things.*

*Thank you for all your support over the Christmas period. It was much appreciated.*

*We are delighted to be welcoming more new 2 and 3 year olds this term.*

 ***The 3 & 4 will be loosely basing their learning around FOOD and the unique child’s interests****. It is one the children always love because they can talk about the food they eat at home and at school. It also involves lots of tasting, touching and smelling. Thank you for remembering to bring in some fruit each week. It helps us to promote healthy eating.*

*The 3s and 4s will have a book gifting session with librarian Janet Eardley on Tues 28th Jan at 2pm. Parents are invited and given information about joining the library.*

***The 2 yr olds will be basing their learning around the unique child’s interests, so we will be excited to see what topics the children take us to!***

*Thank you for bringing the* ***50p school fund each week****. It will help us buy sundries related to the topic.*

***Breakfast is available each morning for 25p a day****, in the classroom as your child arrives.*

***Dates to remember:-***

***First part of the week break up on Wednesday 12th February.***

***Children return to school on Monday 24th February.***

***Full time children break up Friday14th February and return Monday 24th February***

***We will be celebrating Chinese New Year in school- the year of the Snake***

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**Homework**

*Keep encouraging your child with the homework. Let your child have a go at it themselves. It does not have to be perfect. Thank you.*

***Library Books/ Reading books***

Just a reminder that we change children’s reading books weekly- please bring your books back to school on a Monday to be changed and given back on a Wednesday. Book bags can be bought for £5.00 from the office. Second hand are £2.00

The staff are here for you and your child. Please feel free to talk to any of us at any time.

**Your comments / support**

Thank you for all your comments about the school through questionnaires**.**

 **Miss Juliet Levingstone Head teacher MA Primary Education**

**Spring Term One- 3 & 4 yr olds**

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| Week No | **Loose Topic focus/ unique child’s interests** | **phonics**  | **Younger children and new starters** | **Focus Rhyme-****Nick Sharratt** | **Nursery Rhyme** | **Maths****focus to**  |
| 1 | Child led | Body percussion | Time to listen | at | 10 fat sausages | Comparing quantities |
| 2 | What food do we eat? | Voice sounds | Time to listen | at | Pat a cake | Comparing quantitiesNumber 1 |
| 3 | Food tasting  | Voice sounds | Time to listen | og | 5 Currant Buns | Position and directionNumber 2 |
| 4 | Where does our food come from? | Voice sounds | Time to listen | og | Little Miss Muffett | Position and direction2 subitising |
| 5 | Healthy/unhealthy food | Voice sounds | Time to listen | en | The Muffin Man |  triangle |
| 6 | Tastebuds | Rhythm and rhyme | Time to listen | en | Bananas of the world unite | No 3 subitisingEnvironmental patterns |

During the first half term, children will be learning about the different sounds that they can make with their body and the sounds around them in the environment.

Each key person will also be working with your child daily. The children will be exploring numbers visually around them 1-3, with an introduction to the properties of shape.

**Please can you help your child to work on these areas at home.**

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