### **Dates for Your Diary**

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Date	Event
4.1.17	8.55am Return to School
11.1.17	9am Baby and toddler Yoga introduction meeting
11.1.17	Year 1 – Adopt a Chef
16.1.17	Crucial Crew – Year 6
18.1.17	Years 4, 5 + 6 Planting fruit trees – Edible Playground
24.1.17	2.30pm – School Nurse Head Lice Workshop for parents/carers
w/c 6.2.17	Internet Safety Week
7.2.17	9-10am School Nurse drop in session
8.2.17	Year 5 Narnia Experience at St Georges Hall
15+16.2.17	Reception Health checks with School Nurse
15.2.17	Morning Nursery trip to Liverpool Museum
16.2.17	Afternoon Nursery Trip to Liverpool Museum
17.2.17	2pm – School Closes for Half Term Break
27.2.17	8.55am – Return to School
28.2.17	4pm Cross Country Race – Sefton Park
2.3.17	World Book Day
7.3.17	Reception classes to visit Recycling Centre
8.3.17	Family Fun Event
9.3.17	Cross Country Race at Wavertree
10.3.17	10am – Full Governing Body Meeting
17.3.17	INSET DAY – School <b>closed</b> for pupils
23.3.17	Mother's Day Sale
24.3.17	Comic Relief Day (own clothes)
27.3.17—4.4.17	Scholastic Book Sale
29.3.1	1.45-6.30pm Parents Afternoon for Years 1-6
31.3.17	Stay and Play Day for Reception classes
7.4.17	2pm Finish for Easter Holiday
24.4.17	8.55am – Return to school
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# Monksdown Primary School Curriculum Overview Nursery Spring Term 2017

#### **Communication and Language**

We will be developing our children's attention by listening and joining in with stories. This half terms stories are "Percy the Park Keeper" and "Harry and A Bucketful of Dinosaurs".

We will be constantly praising and extending their language to encourage them to become more fluent speakers. Singing Traditional Nursery Rhymes will also help widen your child's vocabulary.

#### What can you do to help?:

Constantly talk to your children e.g. about books, toys, colours, fruits and vegetables etc.

#### **Mathematics**

This term we will continue to learn numbers to 10, focusing on recognising the numeral. We will play number games and sing number songs to help consolidate the children's learning.

We will recap the basic shapes we have learnt which were square, circle, triangle and rectangle and introduce new shapes such as hexagons and pentagons.

#### What can you do to help?

Like in Nursery, play counting games with your child. Encouraging them to count steps, toys, coins, objects, etc.





#### **Expressive Art and Design**

A range of fiction and non-fiction books, Ipads and the Interactive Whiteboard will be used as resources to help us learn.

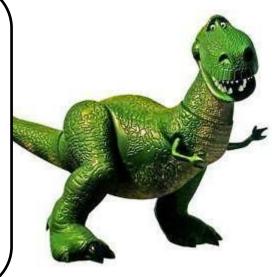
We will act out stories from our story maps and play games in the role play and small world area based on our stories. We will learn new songs, dances and play instruments which links in with our Winter topic. And of course, there will be lots of fun things to do in the creative area such as make dinosaurs in the play dough, paint winter pictures and cutting and sticking activities to help develop our finger muscles.

#### **PSE**

As always, we will be constantly praising and encouraging our children to achieve their maximum potential and develop their confidence. By consistently reinforcing the class rules, our children's behaviour will continue to improve and so will their ability to make and maintain friendships.

#### What can you do to help?:

Ask your child who they played with in Nursery. Encourage them to share and take turns at home.



## Understanding the World / Topic

This term we will be learning about winter. We will go on a winter walk around school and learn about ice and how it works.

We will also learn about dinosaurs and go on a trip to the museum to see their bones and learn more about them.

After half term, we will be learning about the story "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" and welcoming spring with "Jack & the Beanstalk" where we will develop and understanding of growth by growing our own beanstalks.



#### **Physical Development**

This term we will continue to promote our children's independence with self-service snack, encourage them to dress independently and learn how to move safely and skilfully in a range of ways. We will also focus on promoting their writing skills.

#### What can you do to help?:

Praise your child for washing their hands and attending their own toileting needs.

Get them to draw a picture with a sock over their hand to help develop the correct tripod grip.