

Welcome to Nursery



Head Teacher



Mrs Mendel

Meet the Ladybird team

Teacher



Mrs Dacombe



Early Years Practitioners



Mrs Morgan



Miss Smith



Early Years Practitioners



Mrs Ravi



Mrs Abba



Mrs Kimble



School Uniform

Our school supplier is **Smarty Schoolwear Ltd.**

Smarty's closest shop is located within Stevenage Town Centre.

[Website: www.smartyschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.smartyschoolwear.co.uk)

[Tel: 01707 263909](tel:01707263909)

More information about our school uniform can be found on our school website.

Please select from the main menu: Parents tab – School uniform tab

www.gilesnurseryandinfants.co.uk

However non - branded uniform is accepted and available to buy from all major supermarkets.



Arriving at Nursery

A member of Nursery staff will be here to welcome your child at the Nursery door.

The staff will support your child entering the Nursery building independently.

On your child's first day, they will be given a name label to wear to welcome them into Ladybird Class.



Collecting your child

At the end of a Nursery session, you will collect your child from the Nursery garden entrance as this provides an opportunity for you to speak to your child's keyworker.

To ensure the children leave the classroom safely, they remain seated on a carpet and your child's keyworker will call out your child's name whilst they are seated on the carpet.

The keyworker will guide your child towards the adult who is collecting.

Please advise the office if an alternative adult will be collecting your child. We will need to know their name, and how your child knows them.

Junior children and children under the age of 14 are not allowed to collect children.



Lunchtime

If your child has a 30-hour place at our nursery, they will be taken over to our hall and dining room by our Nursery team to eat their packed lunch. The children will then be cared for by our lunch time staff team.



We are a **NUT FREE** school as we have children and staff who are allergic to them.

Please ensure your child's packed lunch is a healthy lunch box and is **NUT FREE**.

Grapes to be cut in half as these are considered a choking hazard.

15 Hour Daily Routine

Morning and afternoon session

Morning 8:30 to 11:30				Afternoon 12:30 to 3:30		
Child initiated learning (including outdoor learning)	Registration Activities (phonics, maths circle time)	Snack (in key groups)	Adult led activity (in key groups)	Child initiated Learning (including outdoor learning)	Story & song time (in key groups)	Home time (via the garden)



30-hour children's daily routine (all day)



8:30 to 11:30						
Child initiated learning (including outdoor learning)	Registration activities (phonics, maths, circle time)	Snack (in key groups)	Adult led activity (in key groups)	Child initiated learning (including outdoor learning)	Story & song time (in key groups)	Lunch 11:30 – 12:30

The children will have their packed lunch in the main school with our lunch time staff team.

12:30 – 3:30						
Child initiated learning (including outdoor learning)	Registration activities (phonics, maths, circle time)	Snack (in key groups)	Adult led activity (in key groups)	Child initiated learning (including outdoor learning)	Story & song time (in key groups)	Home time (via the garden)

Phonics and Reading

Weekly sessions of phonics learning take place throughout the year.

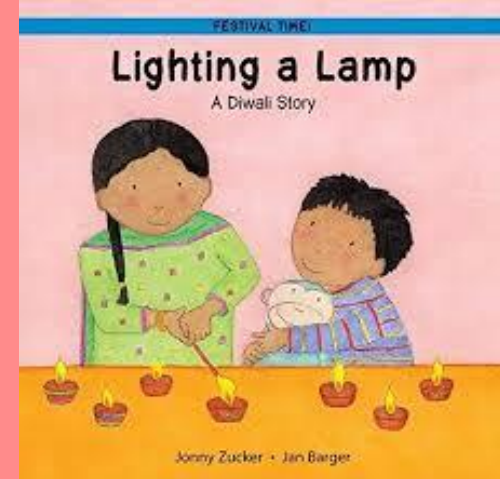
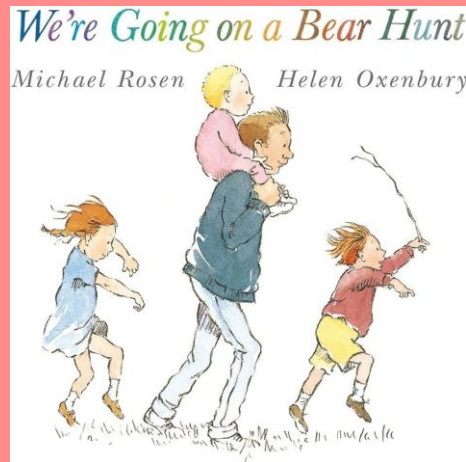
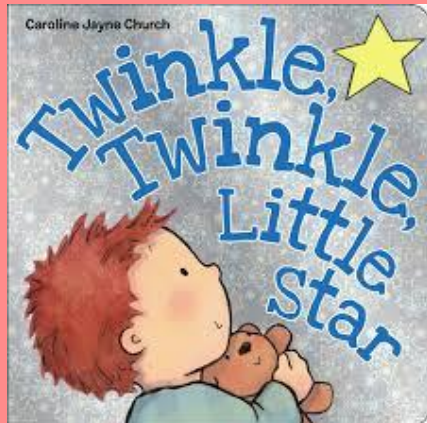
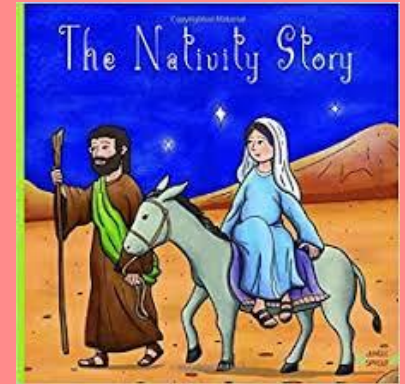
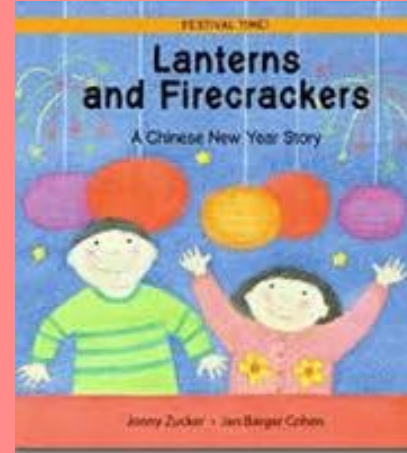
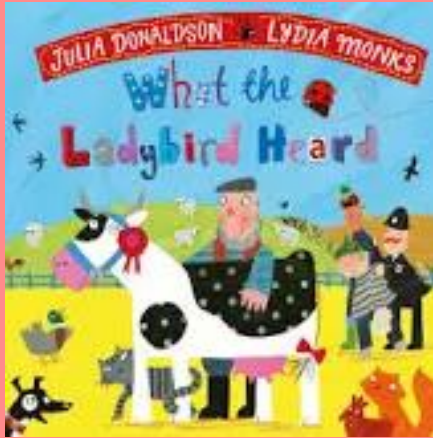
Each week your child will learn a rhyme or song. Where possible, these are added to a keyring on your child's bookbag.

(Please note, no backpacks as our cloakroom is not large enough to cater for them.)

On a Monday, your child can choose a library book to take home and enjoy. Please return the book on the following Monday morning to receive a new book.

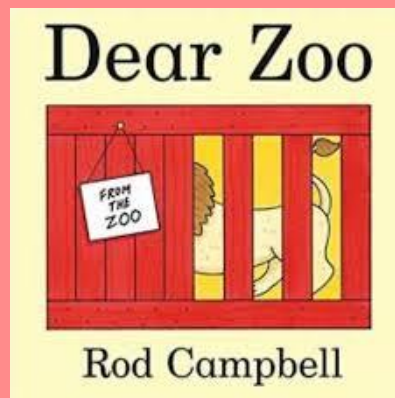
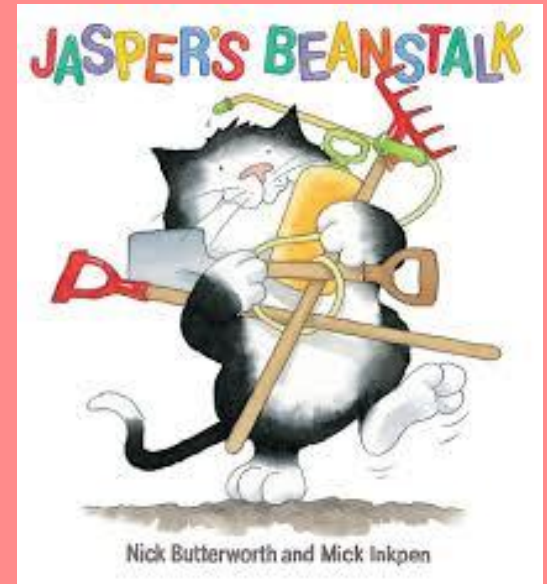
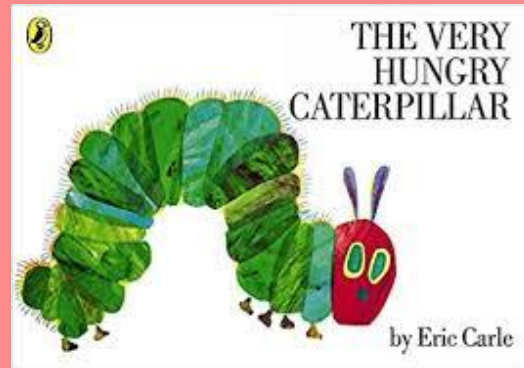
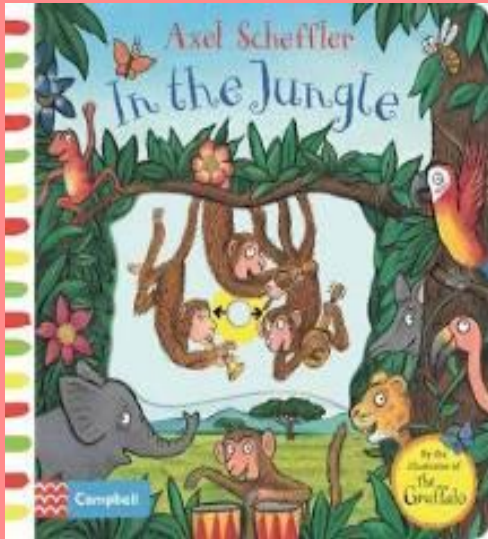


Autumn term topics



Nursery Rhymes and Celebrations
Linked to stories and special dates

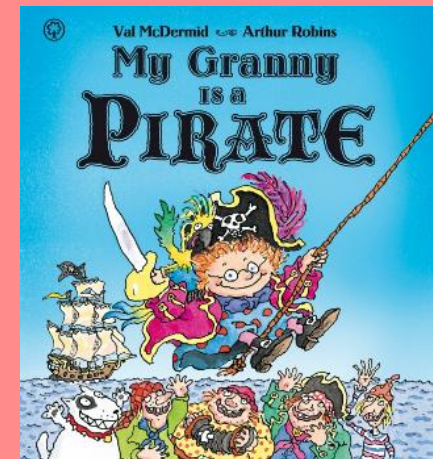
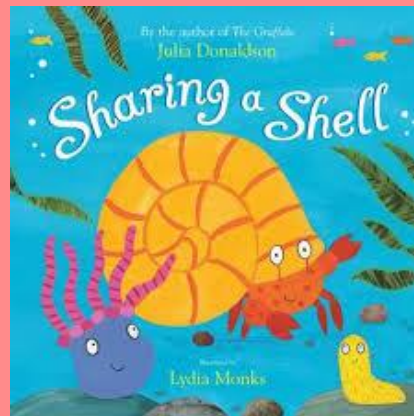
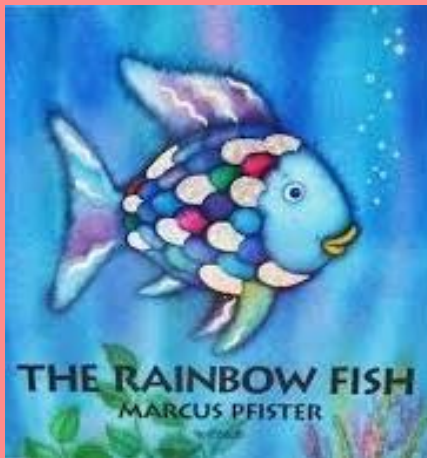
Spring term topics



Animals and Growing

Linked to stories and investigations

Summer term topics



Sand and Water

Linked to stories and investigations

Developing Gross Motor Skills

Throughout the year the children will take part in a weekly session to develop their gross motor skills.

After half term break, the children will be taken with members of the Nursery team to the school hall for PE. They will need to wear leggings or trousers and trainers for activities.

You will be notified of which days the PE sessions are nearer the time.

If your child has their ears pierced, please make sure they are taped using medical tape.



Stay and Play

Held every Thursday and will start after the October half term break.

You will be notified nearer the time of the date for Stay and Play.

You and your family are invited to join your child in Nursery for a play session.

Stay and Play is from **8:30 - 9:20am**

Everyone is welcome!

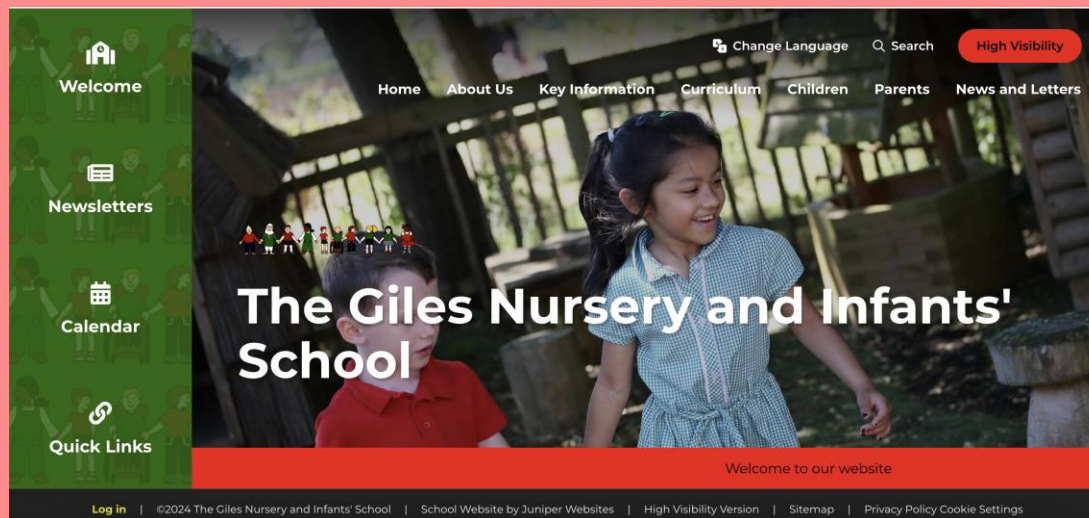


Photographs and Newsletter

Please have a look at our School website
<https://www.gilesnurseryandinfants.co.uk/>

Photographs of the children are added to the class pages and Mrs Mendel sends out a weekly newsletter via email to all Parents/Carers. This outlines topics which have been covered during the current week and what the children will be doing next week. It also gives other important school information.

If you would like your child's photograph to be included within our class page, please ensure you have given permission.



Illness, holiday and concerns

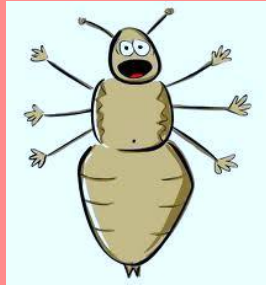


Chicken Pox

Please keep your child at home until all the spots have crusted over.

Head lice

From time to time children will get head lice. Please treat as soon as you see evidence. Your child may still come to school.



Sickness/Upset Stomach

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea, they must remain home for 48 hours from the last instance of being poorly.



Concerns or Worries

If you have any concerns or worries, please speak to your child's teacher at the end of the school day, or telephone the office for an appointment.

Please see our **school policies** regarding holiday requests, attendance and punctuality

<https://www.gilesnurseryandinfants.co.uk/school-policies/>

Any questions?



You may email your questions to: admin@gilesinfants.herts.sch.uk