

Welcome to The Giles Nursery And Infants' School



Ladybird Class





**Our Head Teacher
is
Mrs Mendel**

Meet the Ladybird team

Teacher



Mrs Dacombe



Early Years Practitioners



Mrs Morgan



Miss Smith



Early Years Practitioners



Mrs Ravi



Mrs Aba



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 at the door to welcome your child at the Nursery door.

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

The staff will note messages and pass these onto the relevant key workers.

Please encourage your child to come into Nursery on their own, but if they need support, you are welcome to come in to help them get ready for learning



What your child needs in Nursery

- ❖ Book bag
- ❖ Bottle of water – to drink during the Nursery session
- ❖ A pair of shoes which your child can get on and off easily, preferably with no laces
 - ❖ A bag of spare clothes
- ❖ Nappies or pull ups if your child if your child is not ready to use the toilet
 - ❖ A pair of wellies and a coat for rainy weather
- ❖ If your child is staying for lunch, please pack a small packed lunch
 - e.g. A sandwich/wrap/bowl of pasta
 - A packet of crisps/savoury biscuits
 - A piece fruit or a yogurt

Please make sure all grapes and strawberries are cut in half, as these are considered a choking hazard.

No chocolate bars

Water is provided for the children at lunchtime

We are a nut free school



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 staff at the Nursery door or contact 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.





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)	Small group time (including snack time and activity introduction)	Adult led activity (In key groups)	Child initiated Learning (including outdoor learning)	Small group time (including story time, RE, Jigsaw, Big Book and phonics)	Home time



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

8:30 to 11:30						
Child initiated learning (including outdoor or learning)	Small group time (including snack time and activity introduction)	Adult led activity (In key groups)	Child initiated Learning (including outdoor learning)	Small group time (including story time, RE, Jigsaw, Big Book and phonics)	Child initiated learning (including outdoor or learning)	Lunch 11:25 – 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 or learning)	Small group time (including snack time and activity introduction)	Adult led activity (In key groups)	Child initiated Learning (including outdoor learning)	Small group time (including story time, RE, Jigsaw, Big Book and phonics)	Child initiated learning (including outdoor or learning)	Home time



Phonics and Reading

Weekly sessions of phonics learning take place throughout the year.
At parent consultations in October, information linked to Phase 1 phonics will be given out.

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

Ladybird library opening times for the Shape groups:

Tuesday: *Square and Oval groups*

Wednesday: *Triangle and Rectangle groups*

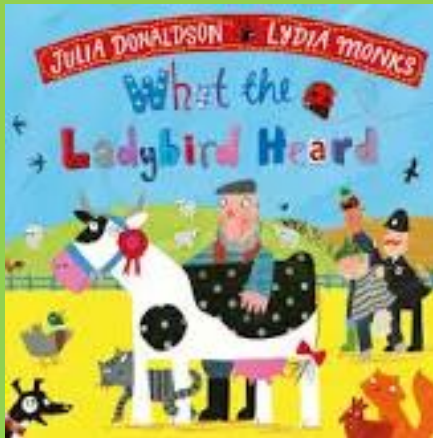
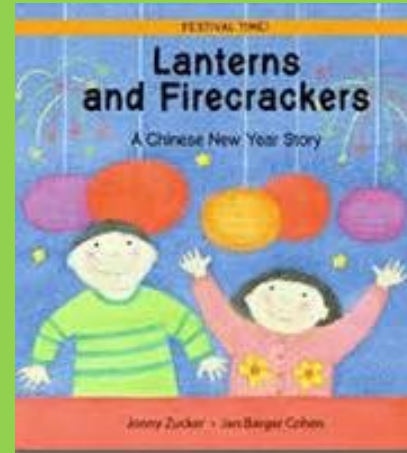
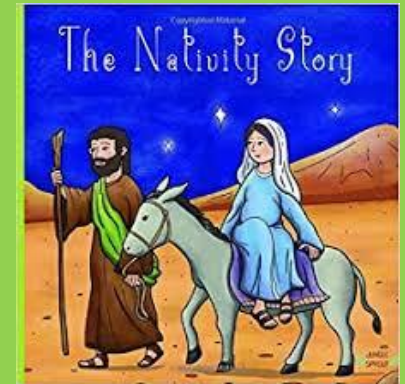
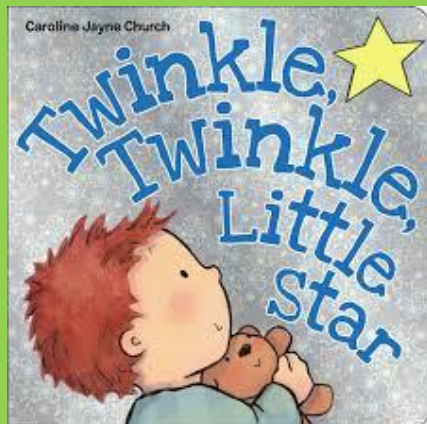
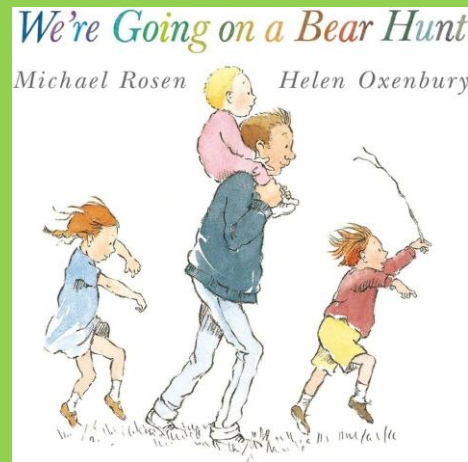
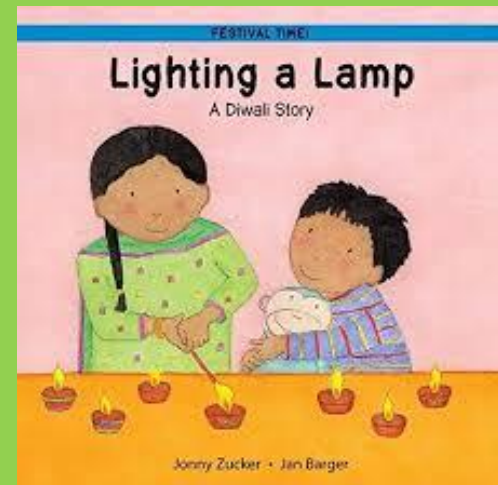
Thursday: *Star group*



Please would your child bring in
their book bag everyday.

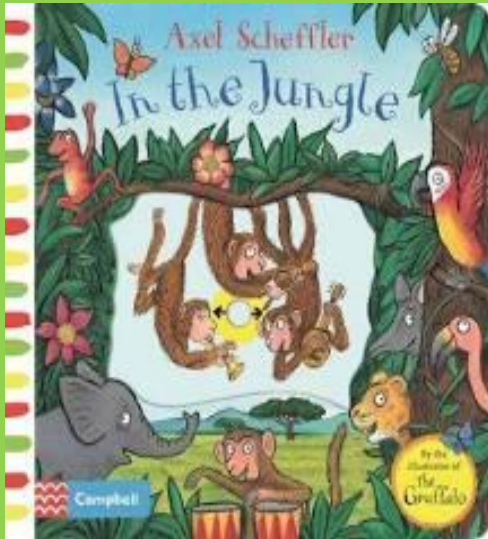
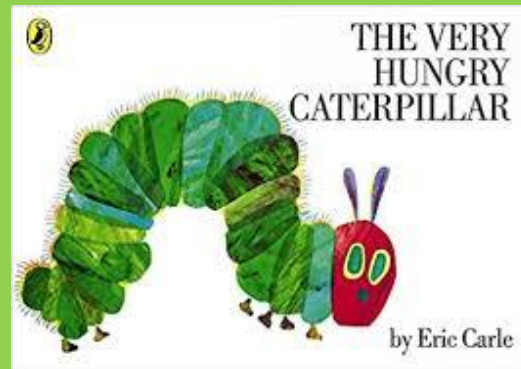
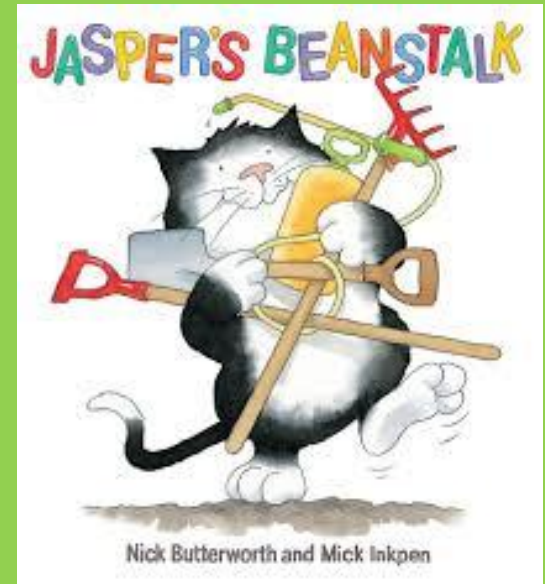
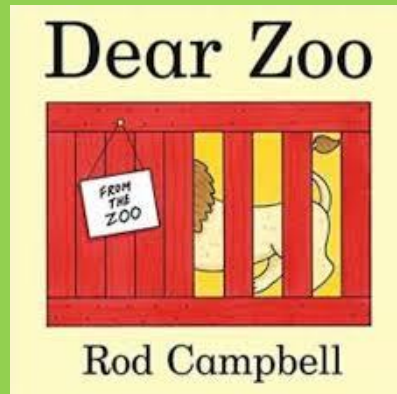


Topics: Autumn term



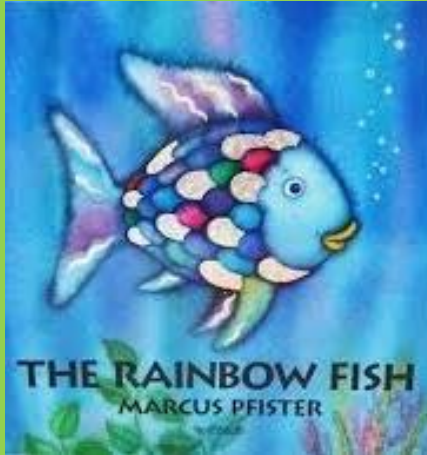
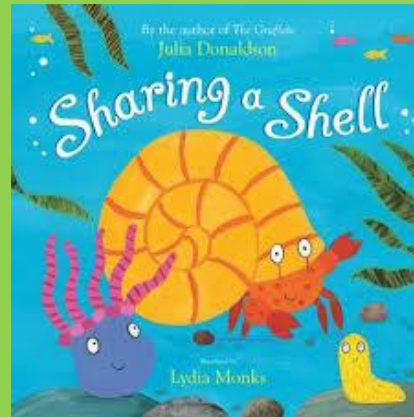
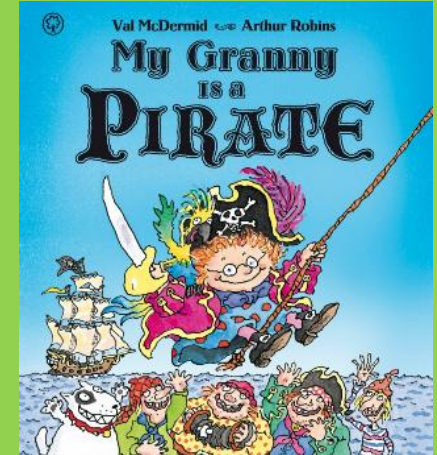
Nursery Rhymes and Celebrations
Linked to stories and special dates

Topics: Spring term



Animals and Growing
Linked to stories and investigations

Topics: Summer term



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.

The sessions will begin once the children are settled and information about which days will be included in the weekly newsletter and placed in the Nursery window.

The children will be taken with members of the Nursery team to the school hall. They will need to wear leggings or trousers and trainers for activities.

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



Stay and Play

Held every Thursday from 8:30 - 9:20am and 12.30 – 1.20pm

(You will be informed of the start date towards the end of this half term)

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

Everyone is welcome!

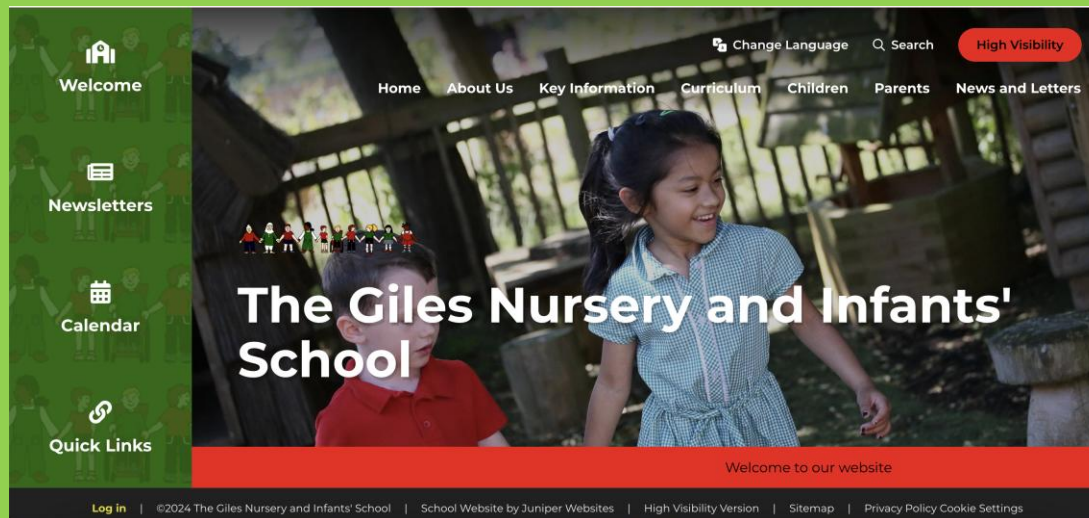


Photographs and Newsletter

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

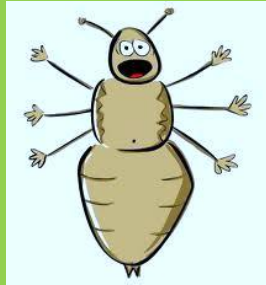


Chicken Pox

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/>

Dates for your dairy

Parent consultations:

Monday to Wednesday 19th – 21st October
3.30 – 5.30pm

School photographs:

Thursday 19th November

Open Evening:

Thursday 26th November
5.00 – 6.30pm

Occasional day

Friday 4th December

Nursery Christmas concert

Thursday 10th December
11am and 2.30pm

Christmas party

Thursday 17th December
(Please note no Nursery morning session)

Any questions?



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