



Honey Pot Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have already had a busy start to the term with some new children joining us who have settled really well in to Honey Pot life! We have started our NELI preschool scheme which the preschool children are really enjoying and watching for the signs of winter still in the garden.

Chinese (Lunar) New Year

Over the next couple of weeks we will begin to start looking at Lunar/Chinese New year, if this is something you and your family celebrates please send in some pictures of your celebrations 😊.

Some facts we will be discussing with the children are;

- Red is the colour for luck
- 2026 is the year of the Horse.
- Fireworks and drums are to keep away bad luck.



Winter

The children have loved starting to learn about our season, winter. We have been looking at the ice in the garden, and the frost we saw on the grass and trees.

We are talking about animals that live in cold places and also animals who hibernate during the winter. Pointing out the lack of wildlife in the garden at the moment because of hibernation. We have also been learning some songs about animals that live in the cold.

NELI

Since returning to Honey Pot we have started our NELI programme, the programme has a focus book of the week and four key words. The children are really enjoying the NELI song and the different story each week and are able to recall parts of the stories well, we hope you are enjoying the weekly newsletter in regards to the story. We have so far covered;

Week 1- Neon Leon

Week 2- Pip and Posy the bedtime frog

Week 3- Don't wake a tiger

Week 4- the three little pigs.

Week 5- Copy Cat

I'm a little penguin

(sung to the tune of I'm a little teapot)

I'm a little penguin,
Black and white.
I waddle to the left,
And I waddle to right.
When I'm feeling hungry,
Splash and splish.
I jump in the water
And catch a fish!

Little polar bear rhyme

Little polar bear,
White as snow,
Sat on the ice,
Near the cold waters flow.
"I am hungry" he said
And made a wish.
Then stuck in his paw,
And pulled out a fish.

I'm a Chinese Dragon song

(sung to the tune of I'm a little teapot)

I'm a Chinese dragon,
See me dance!
Twisting and turning,
I jump and prance
When it's Chinese New Year,
Take a chance,
Come and join with the dragon dance!

Honey dog & Buzz the Bear

Honey dog and Buzz the Bear are having a lovely time on their visits to your homes and we are loving hearing about all of their adventures. Honey dog will be visiting ALL of the children going to school in September 2023 before they leave us and Buzz will visit the children who will be remaining for another year. Every child will get a turn! **Please remember to fill in the books with your adventures and take photos!** If you are unable to print photos please send them to honeydog@willingham.cambs.sch.uk thank you 😊



Pantosaurus

This term we have been looking at the Pantosaurus, this information is provided by the NSPCC which the video is attached below (please be aware the song is VERY catchy 😊) We use the Pantosaurus to talk about the importance of privacy in times such as toileting or nappy changing and that what is in our pants is private and not for everyone to see.

We talk about making sure we shut the door when we are in the toilet before we undress and make sure we are dressed before opening the door too. The Pantosaurus also talks about the importance of telling someone you trust if something has happened and we talk about who those adults might be who we trust.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>



Staff

If you have a question about your child, please email their key person or you can arrange for a chat at the end of the session.

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Term Dates

- Monday 16th February- Friday 20th February- Half term
- Thursday 5th March- World book day
- 17th February-3rd March- Chinese New Year- Year of the horse.