



The Duckling Nursery Ltd  
Writtle Infant School  
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## Newsletter 2020/A

### Welcome back

Welcome back everyone. We hope you all had a great Christmas and are now ready for an exciting term ahead. We wish a happy healthy peaceful and exciting New Year and 2020 to all our Ducklings and their families. We also welcome two new little Ducklings into nursery this term. We wish Lowen and Samuel many happy times with us. Please return the attached star and let us know an achievement, a proud moment or a funny story about your child during the Christmas holiday. The children love to share these with their peers and teachers.

### Topic

Our topic for the spring term is:

*Around and around the world we go  
Looking high and looking low  
What will we find and what will we see  
It will all be fun for you and me.  
Kings and Queens who lead the land  
Mountains, jungles, sea and sand  
We will discover things exciting and new  
You can come with us on our journey too.*

We would love any resources that the children can bring into Ducklings to share with their teachers and friends.

### Jewellery and hairdressing

The children love to play with both our jewellery and hair dressing role-play activities, however our stocks are becoming rather depleted. If you are having a post Christmas clear out and have any unwanted beads, bracelets, rings etc, or combs brushes rollers hair dryers/tongs etc we would love to take them off your hands.

### Friends of Ducklings

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January in The Fox and Goose Pub (on the A414) at 8pm. Please come and join us as we have a ladies pamper evening Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March (date to be confirmed) to organise and our annual family day which takes place in the summer term. Also I have been asked by the committee to inform Duckling Families that we have a face book page. This contains updated information on upcoming fund raising events.

### Canadian students.

In the past we have had students from Canada come to the nursery to further their studies in an overseas placement. These have always been very successful for the nursery, staff and children and the students. It is always exciting and extremely interesting to learn about their culture, their lives and their education system in particular. This would take place in the mid/late April for one month and I have been asked if there is any possibility that the students could stay with Duckling families. There would be a payment for this home stay, which would be discussed between students and hosts. If you are interested in this or require further information please come and see me.

### Toys

We have recently had lots of children bringing in toys. Please can we remind you that unless they are needed as comforters or topic related they stay in their Duckling bags or at home? Lost or broken toys mean sad children.

### Clothing

Please can I remind everyone that all children's coats, hats, gloves, scarves, sweatshirts and also shoes must be named? It makes the home time preparation a much easier, smoother and quicker process.

### Parking

Lastly, please can we begin the New Year with mindful and courteous parking in the streets around the schools and nursery? We understand that the area can get extremely busy however we must be thoughtful and considerate to the local residents.

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