

Dear Parents and Carers,

Franciscan Nursery would like to wish you a very happy new year and a warm welcome back after the Christmas holidays . We hope that you and your family had a restful and enjoyable break and that you are as excited as we are to begin this new term. We would also like to welcome our January intake children.

Our topic this term is '**Up and Away**'. We will be looking at various things such as aeroplanes, kites from around the world, hot air balloons, parachutes, bubbles and much more. We will also be celebrating the Chinese New year.

We kindly ask you to continue to work with your child at home; reading to them regularly, practising name writing and learning numbers.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Mrs Davies and Mrs Kabutey

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

1) As our exit point for our topic this term, the children will be going to Tooting Common to fly kites. We will need parent volunteers and more information will be given nearer the time. Nursery staff are available if you need more clarification.

2) This term, as part of our phonics lessons, the children will be looking at the sounds and letters:

m, d, g, o, c, k

We will be asking children to bring and show objects that begin with these sounds. We ask that you support your child in identifying these letters. We will also be looking at some tricky words:

to, no, go, I, the, into



NURSERY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

January	
Mon 15 th	Healthy Living Week and After School Clubs start
Wed 17 th	Athletics Competition
Thurs 18 th	RE Day
February	
Fri 9 th	Inset Day—School Closed
Half term 12th -16th February	
Mon 19 th	School Open to Pupils
<i>Week Beginning 26th - Book Week</i>	
March	
Thurs 1 st	World Book Day
Mon 12 th	Last Week of Clubs
Thurs 22 nd	Parents' Evening 4-8pm
Thurs 29 th	LAST DAY OF TERM (Own clothes day)

If any of these dates or times change we will endeavour to inform you as soon as possible.

BOOK BAGS

Please remember to bring in the book bags on Thursdays.

This is when the children share their experiences and what they have done in their 'All About Me' books.

This is also when we change the story books.

Thank you for your continued support.

HEALTH & SAFETY

- Please ensure children are dressed appropriately for the change in weather. We use the outside area everyday—warm coats, closed up shoes –no sandals.
- Please be aware that toys from home must not be brought into school.
- Please ensure that you label **ALL** items of clothing.