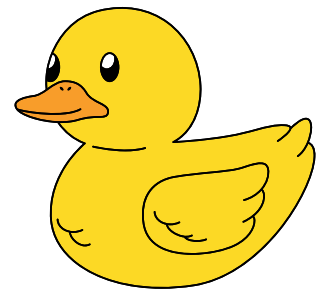


Nursery Newsletter

SPRING 1



WELCOME BACK F1 DUCKLINGS!

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas! It's lovely to see you all and welcome some more new friends to Asquith Nursery!

THEMES - PEOPLE WHO HELP US / CHINESE NEW YEAR

In our Read Write Inc. sessions, the morning children will be exploring the sound picture cards. We will be naming the pictures together and talking about what they show. Our afternoon children will enjoy sharing a wide range of books and practising our listening skills through fun and engaging activities. We will be reading, retelling and joining in with the story "Goldilocks and the Three Bears", using props in our home corner to act out the story. We will also be sharing the Chinese New Year story, using props and role play to bring it to life.

As part of our 'People Who Help Us' theme, we will be talking about the different people who help us at home and in our community, and the important jobs they do. The children will explore a range of occupations and share their ideas about what they might like to be when they grow up.

To celebrate Chinese New Year, we will find out which animal year it is, learn interesting facts about that animal, and discover which Chinese zodiac animal each child was born under.

The children will use their imagination through dressing up, role play and props to explore different occupations and extend their learning through play.

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 5th January - Monday 12th January - Nursery new starters

Friday 13th February - Break up for half term

Monday 23rd February - INSET Day

Monday 2nd March - January 2026 cohort parent meetings

Wednesday 4th March - January 2026 cohort parent meetings

Friday 27th March - Break up for Easter

WEEKLY BAKING/FOOD TASTING

This half term, we have some exciting baking and food tasting activities planned for the children. These experiences are always a big hit and provide lots of opportunities for learning through play! To help us provide the ingredients and resources needed, we kindly ask for a voluntary contribution of £4 for the half term. Contributions can be handed to a member of the F1 team, and we'll make sure to tick you off our list. Thank you so much for your continue

REMINDERS

- **PE: Every Tuesday** - wear trainers and jewellery removed. Children can wear sports clothes
Take home books: Bring back every **Thursday**. New books sent home every **Friday**
- Contact: eyfs@asquith.notts.sch.uk
- Keep checking Tapestry for updates on your child's learning
- Label all of your child's belongings
- The weather is cold and wet. We do lots of learning outside so a warm, waterproof coat is essential. Please put your child's name in it.
- We are running out of spare clothes to change children into. Please wash and return any clothes to school. If you have any spare pants, socks, trousers etc at home we would be happy to receive these to top up our supply. Thank you

APPLYING FOR A RECEPTION SCHOOL PLACE

Final reminder... Applications for a reception school place for September 2026 opened on **Monday 3rd November 2025**.

If your child turns 5 years old between 1 September 2026 and 31 August 2027 you will need to apply for a reception school place. The closing date for this is **Thursday 15th January 2026**.

You can apply online at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/admissions