

**Important Upcoming dates for your Diary** 

Wed, 1<sup>st</sup> April - April Fools' Day (play a trick on someone!)

Last day of homeschool before Easter holidays - Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> April

First day back to homeschool after Easter holidays - Mon 20<sup>th</sup> April



Happy Birthday this month to:



Charlie, Megan and Luke

## **APRIL IN THE NURSERY**









## Our theme this month is 'Growth', 'Spring' and 'Easter'

To help us with part of our learning in this topic, please go for a walk with your child and look for signs of spring (eg. flowers appearing, trees budding, birds singing).

In colour this month, we will be looking at the colour purple, and at the idea of multi-coloured (eg. all the colours of the rainbow).



The shapes we are learning about are an egg or oval shape



and a flower.



We will be talking about the number 9.

The concept we will be looking at is the idea of pattern.



Our Personal Development focus this month is 'Waiting for our turn', for example, we will start to learn about putting our hands up and waiting for our turn to speak.



Our independence target is to learn to make choices (eg. in play).



Our Physical development focuses are ball skills, and to strengthen our pincer grip.

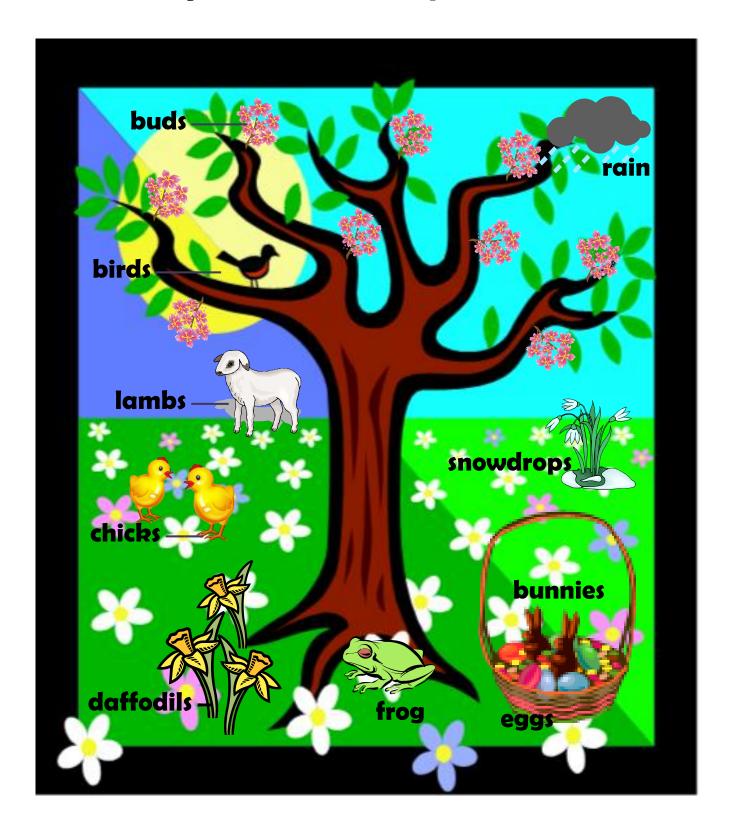




The nursery rhymes and songs we are learning are written out for you overleaf, so you can have fun practising them at home!

May I take this opportunity to thank you all for a wonderful second term, despite the crazy way it ended!, and to wish you all a very Happy, restful and healthy Easter!

## Can you name these spring things?



- 1. What colours are the spring flowers? (eg. yellow, purple)
- 2. What animals come out more in the spring time? (eg. lambs, chicks, bunnies, frogs)
- 3. What is the weather like? (eg. warmer, wet, brighter)
- 4. What clothes do we wear? (eg. coats, welly boots)
- 5. What do we eat in spring? (Easter eggs)

Doctor Foster went to Gloucester
In a shower of rain.
He stepped in a puddle,
Right up to his middle,
And never went there again!

It's raining, it's pouring,
The old man is snoring,
He went to bed,
And bumped his head,
And couldn't get up in the morning!

Mary Mary, quite contrary,
How does your garden grow?
With silver bells and cockle shells,
And pretty maids all in a row.

Higglety, pigglety, my black hen, She lays eggs for gentlemen; Sometimes nine, and sometimes ten, Higgelty, piggelty, my black hen!

Mary had a little lamb, Little lamb, little lamb. Mary had a little lamb,

It's fleece was white as snow!

And everywhere that Mary went, Mary went, Mary went, Everywhere that Mary went The lamb was sure to go! Hot cross buns!
Hot cross buns!
One a penny, two a penny,
Hot cross buns!

If you have no daughters, Give them to your sons! One a penny, two a penny, Hot cross buns!

(To the tune, "Hickory, Dickory")

What's the weather today?
What will the weatherman say?
It's raining, it's windy – (as appropriate)
That is the weather today!

Two little dickie birds sitting on a wall, One called Peter, one called Paul. Fly away, Peter; fly away, Paul! Come back, Peter; come back, Paul!

Five little speckled frogs
Sat on a speckled log,
Eating the most delicious bugs!
Yum! Yum!
One jumped into the pool
Where it was nice and cool!
Now there are four more speckled frogs!
Four... Three... Two... One...

5 little ducks went swimming one day, Over the hills and far away!, Mummy duck said, "Quack! Quack! Come back!" But only four little ducks came back! Four... Three... Two... One...

