



**Ladybirds Newsletter**  
**Term 4 Week 1 w/c 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**Our Topic... " My favourite Stories"**

Our topic for this term is "My favourite stories".

The children will be reading a variety of books this term helping them to develop their love of books and a greater understanding of language. If your child has a favourite book, please feel free to bring it in so they can read it all together at story time. If any family members would like to come in towards the end of each session (11:50 or 14:50) to read a story to the children that would be lovely. If that is something you would like to do please speak to a member of staff or email us to arrange it.

Each week the children will be learning a 'letter of the week', this week it is the letter **N**. If your child would like to bring something in from home beginning with the letter **N** to show to the other children that would be lovely!

**Snack Donation**

We would like to say a "BIG" thank you to our local Co-op for kindly offering to donate a weekly snack donation to us. Any donations from parents would still be gratefully received!

**Word Of The Week**

Each week we will have a "word of the week" which the children will be hearing and using throughout the week. The word this week is "**New**", please try to use this word with you children this week.

**Hungry Little Minds**

Hungry Little Minds is a website that raises parental awareness on how to support speech, language and communication at home. It is a very interesting site that has lots of different ideas. Please see the website below:

[www.hungrylittleminds.com](http://www.hungrylittleminds.com)

There is also some information pinned up on the parents noticeboard.

**Nappy Changing**

Please can you insure that if you child still wears a nappy that you provide wipes and cream for them please.

**Uniform**

We have had some new Ladybirds sweatshirts and T-shirts with our logo on that will be available to purchase from the office at a cost of £9.00 for the sweatshirt and £6.50 for the T-shirt.

**Labelling**

Please can you ensure that all items brought into Ladybirds are labelled clearly especially this time of year when hats and gloves may be required as we do not want items to go missing. We are seeing a lot of lunch boxes and bottles that are not labelled so please can you label these items if you have not already done so.

**Recommend A Friend**

We are currently rolling out our **Recommend A Friend Scheme**. For every friend you recommend to Ladybirds who's child enrolls with us. You will receive a £15 Salisbury Bid gift card to spend in a wide range of shops in Salisbury. Thanks for supporting us!



### 'Holding Box'

If your child brings a toy from home in they will be asked to keep it in our red holding box which is on top of the drawers just inside the Pre-school door. We will take them out at circle time so the children can show and tell them, we have had some toys from home go missing recently and whilst we don't want to discourage them from bringing their own toys in, they are very sad if they get lost. So we felt having the box would be the best solution. Many Thanks

### Library

Please feel free to borrow a book from our Ladybirds Library, any of the books which are in our foyer are free for all the children to borrow and read at home. Just fill in your child's name and the name of the book on the borrowing sheet and they can take it home to enjoy with you.

### Easy Fundraising:

If you have time and shop online please feel free to sign up to our Ladybirds easy fundraising page to help raise money for Ladybirds, simply shop with any of over 3,300 online retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, and when you make a purchase, the retailer will send us a free donation at no extra cost to you. Just follow our link to sign up and start raising funds for Ladybirds, <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ladybirdssalisbury>

### Wellies

Can all children please have a spare pair of welly boots that we can keep at Pre-school. If you have any problem supplying a pair, then please let us know what size your child is and we can see if we have a pair which they can use. It does get very wet and muddy outside at times, so boots are essential to keep shoes clean and stop the floor from getting too dirty and wet.

### Wow moments:

On the notice board in the foyer there is a 'WOW' moments section if your child does anything at home no matter how small (as it's normally massive to them 😊) we would love to share their achievements with them in Ladybirds at circle time, please feel free to fill in one of our slips and pop it on the board and we will make sure we share it with them.

Please remember that our door is always open and if you have any issues or concerns, we are always happy to speak with you.

Many Thanks

The Ladybirds team.