



Castlefield School

Early Years Newsletter



Spring 2 2025

Welcome back – we hope you have had a lovely half term break. We are excited about the longer hours of daylight and the changing seasons. This half term our theme is ‘Let’s get growing!’ We will be learning through experiences such as planting seeds, looking for spring flowers and tasting different vegetables. While spring is on the way, it is still quite cold and can be quite wet, so please make sure children come to school with named coats to keep them warm for their learning outdoors. Our ‘Share a story’ and ‘Stay and play’ sessions will continue. Please make a note of the dates below.

When dropping off and collecting your child, please put your mobile phones/ ear buds away so you are present for your child and available to talk to staff.

The Early Years Team

Nursery

Every child in Nursery has a Google Classroom where you can access holiday homework and other useful links. This can be accessed via your child’s school email. Please speak to us if you do not have this up and running.

Thank you to all of the parents who were able to join us for the Stay and Play and Share a Story sessions. The children love showing you what they do at nursery.

The children enjoyed an early pancake day. We talked about the job of a chef and chose from a range of toppings.



Reception



Last half term, our topic, *Who Can Help Me?*, has provided the children with exciting opportunities to explore various people and roles in our community. We’ve been learning about different jobs such as doctors, firefighters, teachers, dentists and vets, and how they contribute to keeping us safe and healthy.



Get ready to grow this half term! We're exploring all things plants with our *Let's Get Growing* topic. We'll be digging into all things plants, from tiny seeds to towering trees, with fun activities and exciting discoveries. Our Jack and the Beanstalk Theatre experience will be the highlight of this half term.

Resourced Alternative Provision

This half term in the RAP, the children will be learning about healthy foods and growing. Throughout the year, the children have enjoyed different cooking and baking sessions with their teachers.

They enjoy exploring the different textures through touch, smell and taste. The children will start to learn about different food categories and why food is important to help us grow.



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 25th February Stay and Play Nursery
11am & 2:20pm

Tuesday 4th March Stay and Play Reception 2:50pm

Tuesday 11th March Share a story Nursery
11am & 2:20pm

Tuesday 18th March Share a story Reception 2:50pm

Tuesday 25th March Stay and Play Nursery
11am & 2:20pm

Tuesday 1st April Stay and Play Reception 2:50pm