

Friday 22nd May 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of the first half of the summer term! The past few weeks have been busy and full of exciting learning experiences, and it has been wonderful to see all the children continuing to grow in confidence and make such positive progress.

This week, our theme has been Goldilocks and the Three Bears, with lots of activities linked to the story. We read the book together, discussed the different characters and explored the emotions within the story. We also talked about respecting boundaries and making safe choices, while the children enjoyed sequencing the events of the story and creating their own bears. As part of our theme, we had porridge for snack and most of the children enjoyed the experience. We explored the concept of capacity and size in maths, learning and using words such as full, empty, big and small. For our Artist of the Month project, we explored the work of Piet Mondrian, and the children created their own beautiful artworks inspired by his unique style using painting, cutting and sticking activities. In phonics, we reviewed digraphs through fun games and interactive activities. We also briefly introduced the tricky words "I" and "a", helping the children understand that these are special words that cannot always be sounded out and need to be recognised and remembered.

The children enjoyed their tooth brushing session with Fiona from the Oral Health team at RBKC and will be bringing home a toothbrush and toothpaste which Fiona gave them after the session. As part of our daily routine at nursery, we will continue encouraging tooth brushing and will do our best to support the children with this. However, due to the needs and routines of the day, there may occasionally be times when brushing is not possible. We kindly ask families to continue supporting daily tooth brushing at home, as this is an important part of children's health and wellbeing.

Next term: Next half-term, we will be exploring a variety of exciting weekly themes. Alongside this, a key focus will be supporting the children to continue to build their independence, social skills and school readiness.

After half term: All about Space!

Literacy: Exploring the theme of space through stories, non-fiction books and discussions about planets, stars, astronauts and rockets. The children will continue developing vocabulary alongside word building, learning new tricky words and continuing their handwriting practice.

Maths: We will introduce the concept of time, including daily routines and sequencing events.

Understanding of the World: We have now finished our forest school sessions at Holland Park so will resume forest school at Avondale Park every Thursday, alongside more outdoor play in the garden. Pond dipping will be at Holland Park on Monday 8th June.

Arts and Crafts: We will be singing space songs and creating a variety of space-themed crafts.

Snack: Raisins & ricecakes, bananas, satsumas, carrots and apples.

Notices:

After half-term, we would be very grateful if children could bring in empty kitchen foil tubes or kitchen roll tubes to use as part of our Space week learning and activities.

We hope you all have a lovely and restful half-term break.

Miss Eby and Miss Zara