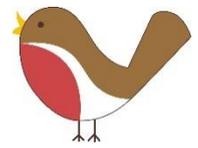


## FOUNDATION STAGE TWO NEWSLETTER

ROBINS      SPRING Term 1 2019



Cornerstones

### What's that sound?



This half term, we'll go on a sound walk to see what we can hear and identify where the sounds are coming from. Back in the classroom, we'll play with noisy toys, listen to sound and audiobook recordings and make our own. Playing percussion instruments will be lots of fun (and very noisy). In the outdoor setting, we'll listen carefully and describe the similarities and differences between sounds we can hear. We'll read fiction books about different sounds and join in with rhymes, raps and poems. During our music work, we'll listen to different pieces, march to military music and play a variety of instruments. We'll think about loud and quiet sounds, and when these are most appropriate. Noisy Poems by Jill Bennett will help us to explore onomatopoeic words such as pop, crash and buzz. Using our mathematics skills, we'll ring bells a given number of times, and sing number-themed songs. We'll also investigate how sounds are made by feeling the vibrations when we speak.

At the end of the project, we'll listen to live music and perform our dances, music and poetry for an audience.

#### Can you help us?

As part of our topic we would like to create an exciting outdoor music area. We would appreciate donations of any of the following items to create our new area.

Pots & pans  
Lids  
Spoons  
Baking tins & trays  
Colanders  
Cooling racks  
*Anything else you can spare!*

There are some examples of what we have in mind on the back of this letter.

#### PE



This half term the children will usually be doing PE on Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure they have a complete kit in school at all time as this may change. Kit should include plimsolls, shorts & a tee-shirt. All earrings must be removed for PE, school staff are unable to take them out so please can you make sure that your child is not wearing earrings to school. If your child has newly pierced ears, please see the school office for a form to sign.

#### Dates for your Diary

#### Brinsley British Values



This half term the children will be thinking about **teamwork**. We'll be playing team games and learning about the importance of being a good team member.

#### Staffing

Unfortunately, Mr Turner remains unwell and is unable to come to school at this time. Mrs Bates will continue to teach on a Monday and Tuesday and Miss Burrows will teach Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Miss Maule will be supporting the class everyday as normal.