

Keswick House Nursery

Newsletter

21st January 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new term at Keswick House Nursery and we hope you are all well.

We are delighted to say that term has started extremely well with lots of happy faces in all the classrooms. We would like to welcome our new children and parents to Keswick House; Sebastian, Joseph, Ethan, Emily, Amara, Thomas, Lila, Rumi and Leon who joined Lower Nursery last week. It is also wonderful to see so many younger siblings.

This term we have started our new topic “Wild and Wonderful”. Each week the children are introduced to a project activity focusing on this open-ended topic and we are already enjoying it greatly. Our first project titles are ‘Where the Wild Things are’, ‘Wild Wolves’ and ‘Lions in the Wild’. Information on each project and ideas for activities at home are on the school website as well as being posted on Tapestry so please do take a look keswickhousenursery.co.uk/parents under the tab ‘activities at home’.

Forest School started with a cold blast but it was beautifully sunny. They enjoyed crunching on the grass, skimming stones on a giant frozen puddle and jumping up and down to keep warm. The children are surprisingly cosy if they are wearing the correct forest school kit – layering is the key!



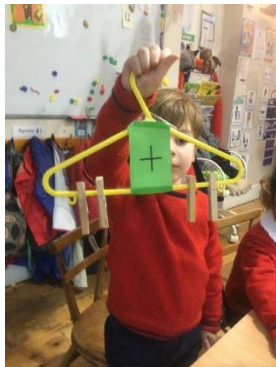
Mr Gilbert was delighted to welcome some of you on last week's Zoom on Growth Mindsets. [For those of you who could not make it you may wish to see the recording.](#)

On Thursday 25th January you are all encouraged to attend an E-Safety talk for parents (given by ex-borough consultant Peter Cowley) on Zoom from 9.15 to 10.15am. It is incredibly important that parents have an understanding of online safety and best practice. Mrs Lisa will be sending out the Zoom link shortly. Staff received training from this speaker at the beginning of this term and it was invaluable.

We will be holding a Nursery coffee morning and talk with Mrs Adams (Head of The Roche School) on Thursday 1st February at 9.15 a.m. The topic we will be focusing on is 'Choosing the right school for your child'. We hope many of you will be able to attend. Please can you RSVP via email to Mrs Lisa. It is always a great start to a day when we welcome parents into the school. There will be some second hand uniform available too at the coffee morning.

[The Early Years results are now available and congratulations to the Early Years on their exceptional results](#) where they significantly outperformed the National and Wandsworth Borough averages. It is also always a boost to hear the Early Years Lead comment on how well Keswick children continue their learning so confidently and perform in the Reception classes!

Gallery of our first couple of weeks:





Finally.....

A reminder that the Nursery gates open at 8.45 a.m. and will now close promptly at 9.05 a.m. Any parent arriving after that time that will need to ring the bell at the main entrance. Also a plea to all to provide named Tupperware and water bottles to school and all items of clothing need to be named and school shoe bags should be fully stocked.

Please find attached Diary dates for this term. We are very much looking forward to our school trip to The Discovery Centre at the end of term. If you are able to volunteer as a helper, could you please let Mrs Lisa know.

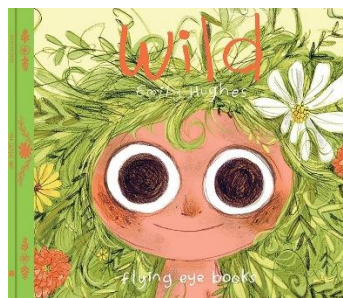
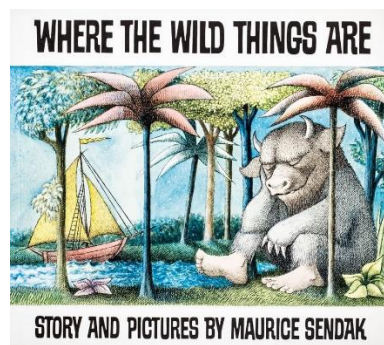
Book Suggestions

Below are the book suggestions this fortnight:

The King of Tiny Things by Jeanne Willis & Gwen Millward

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

Wild by Emily Hughes



Best wishes

Nursery Team