

# STAPLEFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents and carers,

I would like to wish you all a warm welcome back for our Spring 1 Term at Stapleford Nursery. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a very happy New Year! This letter will update you on what we are going to be learning with the children this term and any changes to our routines. However, if you do find that you have any other questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me via email or in person [nursery@staplefordprimaryschool.org](mailto:nursery@staplefordprimaryschool.org)

This term our core book is 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. This story will open up learning opportunities for sharing our experiences of journeys, looking at story sequencing and lots of imaginative play! As part of our learning in Literacy we often discuss key parts of a book such as the Illustrator, Author and the Title, so please feel free to discuss this when looking at stories at home too. For a more in depth view of our learning linking to this story, please refer to the 'Topic Web' document.

## *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*

Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



### PE and Moat Days

The children have loved visiting the moat in recent months and observing the seasonal changes. We can't wait to continue our outdoor learning sessions this term. For Spring Term 1 we will be going to the moat on **Monday mornings**. As we are now in the colder part of the year, please ensure your child comes in thick and warm clothing, with the addition of hats, gloves, coats and wellies. Please also ensure they have a spare change of clothes and shoes in their bag if they need to change after the moat session.

PE will be on **Thursday mornings** so please ensure your child comes in comfortable clothes and shoes they can take off and put on independently (not shoes with laces please). We use this opportunity in the hall to encourage and promote the children's independence by taking their shoes/socks off and putting them on themselves, so please practise this at home too.

### Library Sessions

The children have loved having their weekly library sessions where they can explore the wider school, spend time sharing books together and choose a book to take home to share with you too. For Spring Term 1 we will be having our library session on **Wednesday afternoons**. If your child chooses a book to take home, they will need to return it in the following session to choose another book. However, if your child would like to keep a chosen book for more than the week, they are more than welcome to do so and return it when they are ready.

### **Independence**

This term we are going to be particularly focussing on independence. We have already supported the children in showing them ways in which they can put on their coats independently, and talking them through how to put their shoes on too. Our motto is to always have a try first and if they still find it tricky, we will help them. This will be really beneficial in building their perseverance.. I understand this can be challenging and can sometimes be responded with “I can’t do it!” and we try to remind them, “you can’t do it yet...” so that they believe that the more they try with things, the better they will get at doing them themselves. Please take this opportunity to practise this at home too. Many of the children are already showing a keenness to do these things themselves.

### **Excursion**

We are taking the Nursery children on an excursion on Tuesday 24th January to Stapleford Granary. Please find the letter regarding this on Tapestry. If you cannot find it let me know and I can share it with you via email. Please ensure your child’s permission slip is filled in and handed into the office with a 50p donation by Monday 16th January. We are really looking forward to it!

Kind regards,  
Lauren Davies