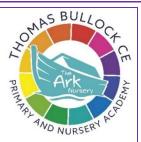
## The Ark Nursery Newsletter



## This week

The children are settling into school life and routine fantastically, making new friends and enjoying all of our classroom resources. They have met lots of our lovely staff and explored our school and all of our outdoor areas too. Our new starters have particularly enjoyed visiting the woods!

Alongside singing many nursery rhymes and reading many stories, we have begun our focus on the book 'The Colour Monster'. Within this, we have discussed feelings and what they might look and feel like, whilst matching them to the colours we are learning about in maths too. We've also talked about times when we might feel happy, sad or angry. We've look at ourselves in mirrors — pulling faces and noticing the features of our faces. We then had a go at mark making for our self-portraits. We will compare these with future self-portraits to see how our mark making changes. We were also introduced to our date, birthday, weather and display and took our first photo of what we can see when we look outside of our classroom. Over the year, we will compare these monthly photos and talk about the changes we can see. We have also loved seeing our friends and family out at play time too!



Next week

Our learning will continue to centre around the story of 'The Colour Monster' where we will continue to talk about feelings and explore colour and colour mixing. We will play lots of speaking and listening games, sing lots of songs and nursery rhymes and share stories with repeated words or phrases to encourage us to join in with retelling them.

## Learning links at home

- Go on a colour hunt around your home or garden what can you find that is red?
  Yellow? Blue? Green?
- Can you count how many objects you found?
- Have discussions at home about the people in your family who do you live with? Who else is in your family? Where do they live?

Tapestry should now be up and running — please let Miss Bell-Tye know (at the gate or via emailing the office if you have any issues). As per the email request, please upload / email a family photo(s) to display in our role play home corner and to help with our discussions during our 'All About Me' theme this term!