



# Nursery Newsletter

Summer 2  
2025

Raleigh Infant and  
Admirals Academies

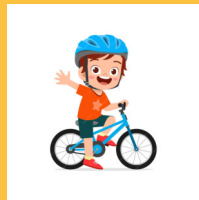
## Welcome



We hope you had a lovely half-term break. We hope you are looking forward to beginning the last half-term! This half term is a busy one, packed full of lots of exciting learning and experiences including transition days into Reception and sports day. Keep an eye out for these upcoming events..

This is the final half term in Nursery for some of our children and we would love to see any posts on Tapestry of home leaning or experiences, this could be

- ⇒ learning to ride a bike,
- ⇒ going on a trip
- ⇒ name writing
- ⇒ baking cakes



## Important Dates



- Wednesday 11 June** - Class photos
- Wednesday 9 July** - Transition morning
- Thursday 10 July** - Transition day
- Monday 14 July** - Academy Fete

## Wider Curriculum

Our learning theme for this half term is **Heroes and Adventurers**. To start with we will be learning about adventurers such as **astronauts** and how they ventured into **space**. Next, we will be revisiting some previous learning such as, **people in our community** who help us and the explorer **Ernest Shackleton**. We will be extending our knowledge by learning about people who climbed **mountains**. Finally, we will end with **reflecting** on ourselves and thinking about our **talents and achievements**.

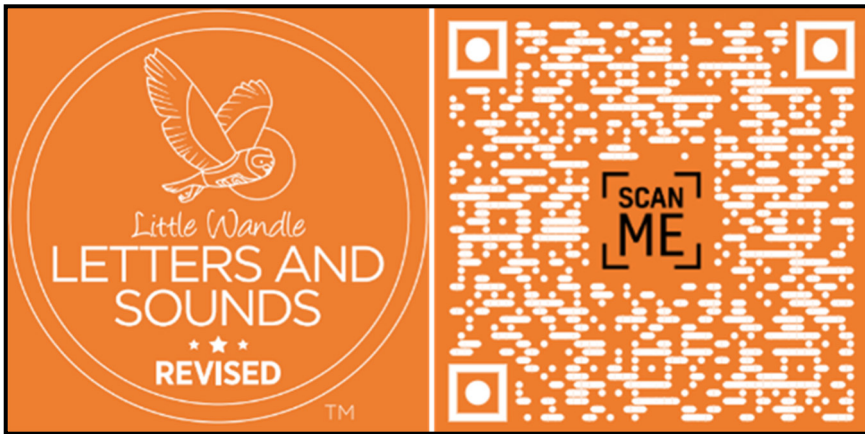


In **Art** we will be creating **sculptures of the Explorer Ernest Shackleton** using **clay**. Also, we will be creating pictures to link with our PKC theme using chalk, paint and pencils.



In **RE** we will be learning about **special places** such as **churches and mosques** and how different cultures use their special places.





## Phonics

We will be continuing to embed our knowledge of our early **Phonics**, recalling previous sounds as well as learning new ones, **sh, th, ng, nk, ck**. We will be practising the skills of oral blending and playing different phonic games to develop these skills as well as introducing the word 'digraph' (two letters that make one sound). Scan the code above for a link to the **Little Wandle** Parents Area. Regular practice will support your child with the previous and current sounds learnt, this is good preparation for children heading into reception.

## Our Key Focus



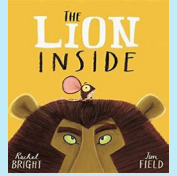
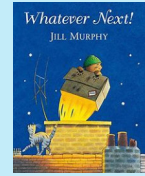
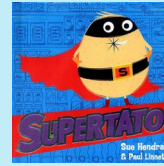
Attendance is important to ensure children have the opportunity to learn! This means children follow the sequence of learning without any being missed. Nursery is a good opportunity for children to learn new skills and prepare them for Reception. Our Nursery follows similar routines and structures to the Reception, so the more children are in class the bigger the benefits.



### How could you help at home?

- Attending all sessions as much as possible
- Contacting the office for any absence
- Talking to children about Reception and preparing for transitions
- Track upcoming dates for transitions and events such as sports day.

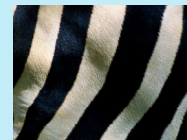
## Literacy



In **Literacy**, we use 'Drawing Club' to develop children's fine motor skills, creative thinking, alongside their writing. Our key texts this half term will be **Supertato** By Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet, **Whatever Next** by Jill Murphy and **The Lion Inside** by Rachel Bright. Children will be encouraged to retell stories and make marks/ pictures to represent these stories as well and use their imaginations to create their own. You can help by sharing stories at home, this can be with any book or the school library books to develop the love of reading.

## Mathematics

In **Maths** this half-term, to start with we will be learning about patterns, looking closely at animals and creating our own repeating patterns, next we will be learning positional language and finally, we will be revisiting areas of our maths during the year to embed further.



**EMAT**  
EASTERN MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST