



Dates for your diary this half term at Strong Close



Parental Consultations for **existing Green, Blue and Yellow** room children will be week commencing **15th November** and for children who are **new** to the rooms, week commencing **29th November**. Please speak to your child's key person to make an appointment.



Friday 19th November - Children in Need Day - wear your favourite clothing or something that is either spotty, yellow or both! We will also have dressing up outfits on the day.

Wednesday 17th November - Individual photographs of children with Tempest Photography

Family Matters is a course designed to promote positive parenting practices in every day life. It offers suggestions and ideas to help with being a parent and to help children develop. This course starts on the **Wednesday 10th November** and runs for 4 weeks.



Wednesday 1st December 9-11am-

Strong Close Christmas Fayre to fundraise for the school summer trip, with stalls, hamper, raffle, refreshments and more.

Dummy and Bottles Workshop-

Wednesday 8th December at 12.45pm

-Did you know that dummies and bottles with teats delay children's speech and hinder the correct development of their teeth? Do you want to find out top tips on how to support your child to get rid of their dummy and bottle? Book a place at our workshop to find out more.



Wednesday 8th December -Fluoride

Varnish by the Oral Health Team - A

dental protective coating treatment that can help prevent tooth decay or stop it getting worse. Consent forms will be issued nearer the date.

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Imagination Library Story Telling Sessions

-separate groups for children born each year from **2016 to 2021** with their book for that month. Book a place and find out about simple activities to enhance each story at home. See flyer for dates.

Stay and Play sessions for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers at **9.30- 10.30am on Wednesday 10th and 24th November and 8th and 15th December**. It is a great way for you and your child to meet new people and make new friends.



Walk and Talk Cafés in November! 9.15am on Tuesday



16th for all parents/carers and on **Thursday 25th** for the families of children with SEND. More information on the venue nearer the time.

w/c 13th December Satellite Arts Theatre for both morning and afternoon sessions, children will be watching a pre-recorded visual story telling show all about Grandy and his adventures.

Wednesday 15th December Christmas Party day - the morning party will be for children who attend in the mornings and the beginning of the week and the afternoon party will be for children who attend in the afternoons and the end of the week. Party clothes can be worn.



Why not download the 50 Things to do Before You're 5 app for lots of age appropriate ideas of places to visit and activities to do with your child.

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This Half Term in Red, Blue, Green & Yellow Rooms Autumn 2 2021



We will also keep you updated through our weekly 'What's Happening' - copies are emailed to all parents/main carers and are available on our website and Facebook pages.

For all bookable activities in blue overleaf please email office@strongclose.co.uk or call 01535 605272. Thank you

Jeśli potrzebujesz tłumaczenia na język polski użyj numeru.

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Red Room – 2-3 year olds

Extending children's interests, knowledge and skills

Last term the children were interested in transporting sand using tractors and diggers. Some children explored enveloping patterns and early mark making which they made in the sand. To develop this interest and to link in with our core story we will be adding

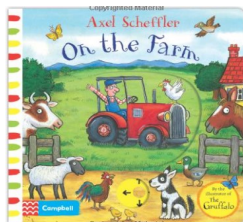


farm animals and environments to the sand areas. The children have also been interested in rotational and trajectory schemas (repeating patterns of play) including rolling balls down chutes. We will extend this further by introducing drain pipes to the classroom for the children to experiment with, using objects and materials.

Introducing new knowledge and skills

Our Core Story this half term is **On The Farm by Axel Scheffler**.

The children will develop their fine motor skills as they take turns to pull out the sliders to bring the book to life. The children can join in with the animal noises and will be able to count the sheep in the field and the ducks on the pond. We will be discussing harvest time and looking ahead to sowing our very own carrot seeds to enjoy in the spring, as they will be too cold to plant in the winter.



How you can help support your child's learning



Reading stories is an important part of language and child development and can be scheduled in to your child's daily routine, particularly at bedtime. Find out more about top bedtime story and routine tips with Tiny Happy People at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/routines>

THIS HALF-TERM IN NURSERY

Blue , Yellow and Green Rooms—3-5 year olds

Extending children's interests, knowledge and skills



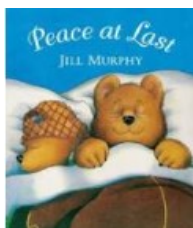
The children in **blue** and **yellow** rooms have been interested in play and books with bears. To develop this interest further we will be looking at different types of bears and their names such as

grizzly, panda and polar bears and using a globe to talk about where they live.

The children in **green** room have shown an interest in fastening and joining items together and taking them apart. They have experimented with connecting straws and paper fasteners and also built train tracks. This play is linked to the disconnecting or schema. You may have seen your child exploring the idea of connecting objects together then taking them apart at home. To further develop their learning we will introduce various resources that the children can thread such as beads and bobbins as well as playing matching games such as dominoes.



Introducing new knowledge and skills

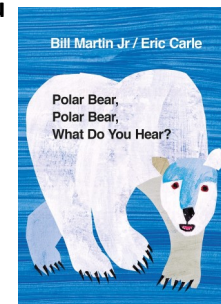


Peace at Last written by Jill Murphy is the core story in **blue** and **yellow** rooms this half term. It is a fantastic bedtime story which tells the tale of father bear who has trouble getting to sleep, due to noises during the night which continuously keep him awake.

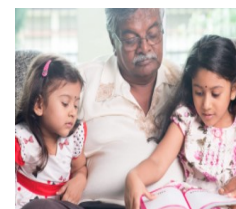
We will be encouraging the children to join in with Mr. Bears' repetition of **"Oh NO! I can't stand THIS."** And to think about the noises that keep Mr. Bear awake. We will also be playing early phonics games, where the children will distinguish between the different sounds they hear in the environment As well as making our own instruments .



Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What do you Hear? is the core story in **green** room this half term written by Bill Martin Jr. and illustrated by Eric Carle. It is An engaging picture book combining animals, colours and sounds. We will be encouraging the children to join in with the repeated refrain, **"What do you see?"** We will be learning the signs for the animals and using sounds buttons to bring the story to life. We will also introduce sequencing activities linked to the story.



How you can help support your child's learning



Please ensure you make use of our wonderful school library. Reading books at home regularly is one of the most important activities you can do to support your child's language development. You could

also play listening games on the way to school to find out more go to <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/whats-that-sound/znnqmf>

We are now well into the season of autumn and the days are becoming colder. To further develop your child's self-help skills you could encourage them to put on their own coat before going outside. Pick up a leaflet in our entrance way about the two different methods that will help your child to put on their own coat independently.



Please log in securely to your child's observations on Early Essence through our website at <https://strongclosenscc.co.uk/> to see what your child has been doing at nursery. Don't forget to share with us what your child does at home!