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## Spring 2025 Craig Park Pre-School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Welcome back to school! We hope that you had a happy and restful break. We look forward to working together to support your child's development and extend their learning through their interests.

### Our focus books

We will be using lots of books to create fun activities over the Spring term. Some of these books will be *Cows in the Kitchen*, *Lola Plants a Garden*, and *Orange, Pear, Apple Bear*. We will also read a range of other stories with the children to develop their love of storytelling and reading.

### Communication, Language and Literacy

The children will continue to learn how to communicate with their friends and adults in the classroom. We will support the children's understanding of letters and words, encouraging them to notice the letters in their names and words in the environment, for example, supermarket and toy logos. The children will be supported to identify familiar objects and we will extend their vocabulary by talking about their properties such as size, colour and texture.

### Maths

This term, we will be working on reciting numbers in everyday contexts, comparing amounts by saying lots, more and the same. We will begin to use the language of size, encouraging the children to use the words "big" and "small" when talking about familiar objects.

### Clothing

Please ensure that your child has a spare set of clothes in a bag in school which has their name in. We use our outdoor learning space every day which means that the children will need appropriate shoes, a warm coat and gloves so that they can enjoy their learning even in the cold weather.

### Sharing activities and achievements

We would really like to see what the children do at home with you and the activities they enjoy. You should all be able to now log into Evidence Me, which is an app on the phone or tablet which allows you to share pictures and videos of your child with us, which can then be added to the child's learning journey. We will also be sharing activities that your children do in school with you using this.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to working with you and your wonderful children!

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