

# Brambles Weekly News

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## Reminders

*Your child MUST have a coat in pre-school.* Please make sure that your child has spare clothes in their green bags as there are lots of empty ones. Please bring in a named plastic bag with spare clothes in. If your child needs spare clothes and there are none, you will be asked to come in and bring clothes as we do not keep spares.

## Carpet Time

**Stories:** Watch Out! At home  
Topsy and Tim Safety First

**Song:** I've got a body, a very busy body

**Rhyme:** Wishily Washily

## Upcoming Events

**Wednesday 17th October**  
Parents Evening 3.30-7.00pm

**22nd – 26th October**  
Half term Brambles closed

**Friday 14th December**  
Brambles Class Assembly 11am – 1pm  
**Wednesday 19th December**  
Last day of Autumn term

## This Week's Learning

We have been learning all about why we wash our hands and how to wash our hands with the, 'wishily washily' Dr Seuss rhyme.

We have also learnt how to keep safe whilst climbing stairs and exploring the Key Stage 2 (KS2) school building and stairs.

## Something Special

### **Vocabulary for Beginning Readers**

Basic vocabulary is necessary for a child as they begin to learn to read. Children learn the meanings of most words indirectly, through their everyday experiences. About 300 more words can be learnt each year as a result of direct vocabulary instruction. Basic vocabulary for beginner readers include: colours; prepositions; common objects and locations; pronouns; parts of everyday objects; adjectives; occupations; quantity words; materials; shapes and patterns.

This activity can be done with two cups and any other single item you have to hand, eg a toy. Placing the toy in various positions relative to the cup/s, simply ask, "Where is ...?" If your child doesn't know the word, teach the prepositions through modelling.

