

## Nursery News Autumn 1 Update



Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023

We would like to extend our warmest welcome to all of our children and their families - we have had a delightful first few weeks with the children and are looking forward to the upcoming weeks as we continue to get to know all about them!

#### Dropping Off

The windows for drop off and collection are:

Morning drop off 8:50am-9:00am Morning collection 11:40am-11:50am

Afternoon drop off 12:20pm-12:30pm End of day collection 3:10pm – 3:20pm

#### **Nursery Fund**

We would kindly ask that anyone who can support us with voluntary donations to our Nursery Fund to please send this in with your child.

A box is available in the porch. 50p when possible allows us to offer the children little extras and is very much appreciated! Thank you so much to everyone who has kindly made a donation so far.

#### Water Bottles

Water is freely available in Nursery and children are being encouraged to pour their own drinks when needed. (We're getting much better at this!) We politely request that children do not bring water/juice bottles.

#### Passwords

Please ensure that family members/friends who collect children are aware of your collection password. This is the safest way to ensure that children are handed to the correct person whilst we continue to get to know everyone and recognise faces.



### Toileting

As children settle into Nursery we will have toilet accidents as children are often so absorbed in their play. Staff continue to prompt children and support them in their self-care. We ask that parents send in spare clothing for children in a small bag that we may place in their tray. If your child has an accident we will place wet clothing into bags and a slip will be passed over to you when you pick up your child.

#### Name Labels

We would ask that children have all coats, hats, cardigans, jumpers and shoes labelled. As children are managing their selfcare more independently. Please ensure labels are clearly visible in all of your child's uniform to help your child, and us, make sure they have their own clothing and possessions.

#### Bags

- If you require your child to bring a backpack, please ensure that it is small enough to be carried by themselves. Children in Nursery do not require a book bag.
- We appreciate that children may have comforters. Please can these remain at home as children often misplace them at Nursery and this can cause some distress.
- Please do not place sweets or snacks into children's bag/pockets. They do like to share and this is not appropriate for some of our children who have specific dietary requirements.
- All medications must come into school via the Main School Office. We are unable to accept medication at the Nursery door or in children's bags.

#### Parents as Partners- 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

One adult is invited to come to Nursery for a short session to stay and play with their child. Details to follow.



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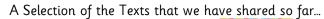


We've had so much fun learning about ourselves and each other in our Family Groups! We've explored lots of texts that have encouraged and supported us to think about how we are the same and how we are different and what makes us unique! We've looked at our reflections and used these to support us in painting self-portraits, we're sure you will enjoy looking at our Portrait Gallery!

We've also been using our senses to explore the world around us. Autumn is magical, there's so much to see, hear, smell and touch! We've been very interested in natural artefacts such as pine cones, leaves, sunflower heads and conkers and we've been busy using these in our exploration of number and pattern as well as in our imaginative and creative play. We're finding out about animals that live in our environment and those who may visit our Nursery Garden when we're at home asleep! Why don't you ask us about owls... and in the next few weeks about other nocturnal animals and maybe we can share our learning with you!

#### What can you do to help?

- We'd very much appreciate a family photo to add to your child's Learning Journey and also to inform a display for our home Corner. Please send the photograph in to school with your child's name written on the back and who is in the image. A photocopy is also fine.
- We'd love to see photos of your adventures too and share any natural artefacts that you may find as you're out and about together! We enjoy talking about our discoveries and finding out about the treasures we find outside!
- Ask us to sing some of the songs we've been learning about Autumn! We do enjoy a good sing-a-long!





A selection of the songs that we have shared so far... I Hear Thunder.....Autumn Leaves Are Falling Down...I Can Sing A Rainbow...Down at The Station...Five Currant Buns...Five Little Ducks

We would like to express our sincere thanks for all of your support as it really does make the difference to us and to the children!

Best wishes,

Mrs Quinn, Miss Judges, Mrs Thompson, Miss Cook, Mrs Goodall, Mrs Hewson and Mr Routledge.