



Nursery Newsletter

Autumn Term
Sept- Dec 2022

Welcome to our first newsletter of the school year!

We would like to say how well all the children in Nursery have settled in and we look forward to the year ahead.

Please take the time to read all sections and if you have any questions please ask your class teacher on the door.

Please label everything!

Please can you make sure that all items of clothing including jumpers/cardigans, coats, bags and water bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name on.

Tapestry

We use 'Tapestry' to put all of your children's work, learning and progress on. We also put lots of activities and things you can do at home to help your child. Before we can do this, we need you to sign the authorisation form you will have received back to us. Only you see your child's observations. If you require another form or wish to discuss how it works, please see a member of staff.

Reading Books

Your child will receive a reading book on Wednesday. Please find a quiet place and read the book with your child, this can be done more than once over the week. Your child will also receive a book where you can encourage your child to draw pictures about the book.

Wellies

In Early Years the children play out in all weathers. We have a digging area that gets muddy and we do go over to the field. If they can bring in wellies **clearly labelled** so they can put them on while doing these activities.

Snacks

The children in both Nursery and Reception receive **FREE** snacks. They have milk and fruit daily which are provided.

Please do not send them into school with any other snacks.

Children can bring in a water bottle.

No juice, just water.

Packed Lunches

If your child brings in a packed lunch, please ensure a good balance of healthy foods. If they have grapes, cut them in half to avoid being a choking hazard.

NO NUTS in case of allergies.

Someone else coming to pick up your child

If you are unable to pick up your child for any reason, please make sure you inform your child's class teacher at the beginning of the school day or by phoning the school office to let them know of the person who will be collecting them. Please complete the attached form - stating who can collect your child if necessary and give a password. If we have not had any message, we will be calling you to check.

Times of the School Day

Group 1 A.M.:

8.30 - 11.30

Group 2 P.M.:

12.15- 3.15

Group 3 -30 Hours Children

8.30/8.45-3.15



Dress for the Weather

Because the weather is so unpredictable, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately. We do go outside as part of our Early Years curriculum.

Climbing Equipment/Benches

For safety reasons, please **do not** allow your children to use the climbing equipment before and after school. The grass can be wet in the morning and it can become slippery.



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TOPIC

Autumn 1

All About Me and Our Families.

Autumn 2

Space



Our new topic this half term is All About Me and the season of Autumn. Talk to your child(ren) about families and who is in your family. Perhaps

you could encourage your child to draw a picture of their family. Show them how to draw a circle to represent a head and add in eyes, nose mouth ect. Show them how to add arms and legs to their drawing.

We will also be looking at and talking about the autumn season.

Whilst out and about maybe you could go on a conker hunt, search for acorns and look at the changing colours of the leaves on the trees.

Guess how many conkers/acorns you have collected and then count them out. You can also create leaf prints by placing a leaf under paper and using the flat side of the crayon to make the leaf magically appear on paper.

Phonics

In Phonics, we are learning how to use our ears. This will help us when we come to learn our letters and to distinguish between the different sounds. Whilst you are out and about with your children, you could encourage them to listen to the different environmental sounds around them.

Close your eyes and listen, what can you hear? Can they hear the birds, sirens, cars etc?

We are also learning lots of new nursery rhymes as part of our phonics. We are singing and joining in with rhymes such as 'Twinkle.

Twinkle, The Grand Old Duke of York, Insy Winsy Spider' etc. Perhaps you could also sing them with your child, encourage them to make their voices go loud/quiet, high/low.

Talk For Writing Books

Autumn 1

We're Going on a Bear hunt

Autumn 2

Little Red Hen

Dear Zoo

If you have any of these stories it would be nice if you could read them to your child and asked them questions about the story and pictures.

What happened first, next, after that, at the end?

Why did that happen? How did they feel?

If you don't have the books, most of the stories are available on 'YouTube'.

MATHS

We follow the White Rose scheme for maths and we are looking at counting, number recognition, ordering and number formation to five.



Encourage your child to count out toys, pebbles, sticks etc to five.

Count the stairs as they go up to bed. You could write numbers on some paper to make flash cards and hold them up, see if your child can name the numeral then do that amount of claps, jumps etc. See if they can order the flash cards from one to five.

We are also learning the days of the week and are discussing our routine of the day. You could talk to them about their order of their morning before they come to Nursery.

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

If you are unable to pick up your child for any reason, please let us know as soon as possible and inform us on 01384 816825. Please tell us who will be picking your child up instead.

Below, please complete the form with the full name of other adults who you give permission to collect your child and write down a password that all adults will know.

Adult's Full Name	Relationship to your child

Password: _____