

September 2020 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new academic term!

The Autumn term begins with a very autumnal feel, we were hoping the warm weather would stay for a bit longer.

Ours thoughts this week are with our children that are starting to attend “big school”. We wish them well and hope that their transitions run smoothly, in this very strange time we are still experiencing.

As we are now moving into the traditionally cold and flu season, we ask you to refresh yourselves with our covid-19 operation plan and guidelines. We have been advised that the policies and procedures will stay in place for this term. As the procedure states, only children that are symptom free can attend. Temperature checks will be taken on arrival. If you have administered calpol/nurofen to your child in the last 12 hours, they are not permitted to attend the setting. In addition, we are supporting the children, who are aged two years and above to be independent with keeping themselves and others safe with their personal hygiene. We are demonstrating coughing into their inner elbow and sneezing and blowing their nose with a tissue. Please can you support at home and enforce the message. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Sadly, we have to inform you that our Family Christmas Party cannot take place this year. Later in the term, we will give you details of a Christmas Party we will hold for the children. You will be given the option to book your child in for the party, if it does not fall on their “normal” attendance day or session time.

Planning

We start September with the theme of Woodland Animals and the sub-heading is Woodland Creatures.

The early learning goals and prime areas being covered are-

w/c 7th- Making Relationships and People and Communities

w/c 14th- Speaking

w/c 21st- Numbers

w/c 28th- Moving and Handling.

Book of the Month

This month we are focusing on the book ‘Shark in the Park’. The children love taking part in the story and shouting “there’s a shark in the park”. Towards the end of the month ask your child what Timothy Pope spots in the park? This is great for supporting and developing their recall skills.

This book is also planned to be our display board in the hall. When the board is finished we will post on our facebook page.

Song of the Month

Our song this month is 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'. This is very much a well-loved song in the setting and is chosen by the children every day to sing at carpet time.

This next space is usually for discussing the Home Learning Board. As at this time you cannot enter the nursery, please if you would like to support your child's educational learning at home, refer to your child's next step on their Tapestry.

As discussed previously, the weather has turned to a chillier and wet feel. Please can you ensure your child has appropriate outdoor clothing, as we do access the garden in all weather conditions, thank you.