

## Welcome Back!

It has been wonderful to see the children so excited to be back at nursery. We are looking forward to another term of learning, fun and exploration.

The nursery staff for this year are Mrs Whiteley and Mrs Parker who are joint key workers for the blue group and Mrs Cook for the red group.

## Reminders and Information

### Tapestry Account

If you do not have a Tapestry account please speak to a member of the nursery staff and we will set one up for you. Tapestry is an online journal where you can access photos, videos and write ups of your child.

### Water bottles

Please send your child with a water bottle everyday. This should be filled with plain water only. We can refill these bottles throughout the day.

### Spare clothes

Please can parents send a bag of spare clothes to school with your child. The clothes can stay on the peg in case your child has an accident at nursery.

### Session Times

Nursery sessions start promptly at 8:45 and 12:15. It is very important that you bring your child in on time to every session so that they get the most out of their time in Nursery and do not miss fun and engaging activities such as Maths and Phonics.

# Nursery Autumn One

## Phonics

Our focus in Phonics this term will be Aspect 1 of phase one. It is the first aspect of this phase and is all about tuning into sounds and practicing listening skills. It is the very early stages of reading and is a very important stepping stone into children being able to recognise letters and sounds and read words.

## Maths

We will be singing lots of number rhymes and counting songs this half term. We will also talk about routines and will explore puzzles and shapes as well as using positional language.

## Family Tree

We are hoping to make a family tree display in the nursery. Talking about our families and lives is important for children to make relationships and for their communication skills to grow and develop. The children often chat about their home life so it is important for us to know who they are chatting about so we can talk to them more openly about their life and who is important to them.

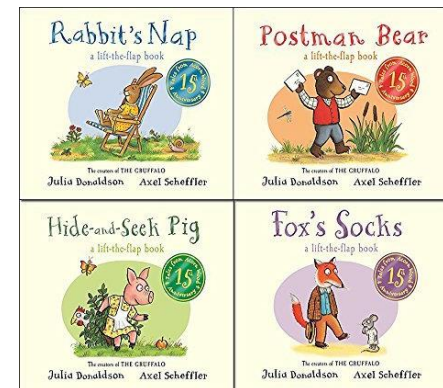
We will be sending out a life template for you to stick photographs on and write a little about who is featured. If you are unable to print the photos yourself please upload them to tapestry for us to print for you.

## Welcome!

We would like to say welcome and well done to all of our new children this week. The children have settled in well and new friendships are already starting to form. We are looking forward to watching you settle more and get to know you even better.

## Focus books

This term 'Board Books' will be our focus in Literacy lessons. We will be reading stories such as; Postman Bear, Foxes Socks and Ten Little Dinosaurs.



## Early Reading

Before children learn to read, they need to develop important skills. One very important skill is being able to look at pictures in books and recall or tell their own story from the pictures. When looking at stories and books, encourage your children to look closely at the pictures and tell you what is happening. Ask how the characters are feeling, what they are doing and how we know from just looking at the pictures.