



## Autumn Term Newsletter 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The Nursery team and I hope you had a fantastic summer break, and we cannot wait to see all the children and hear their holiday news! We would also like to welcome our new families and say that we are looking forward to getting to know you and your children.

Our topic this half term is 'Me and my World'. We will be focusing on our families, our local community and ourselves before moving on to looking at other parts of the country and the world! This will include building positive relationships within our class community and developing independence.

We would like to start our topic by asking if the children could bring in some family photographs that they can share with their friends and that can then be displayed in class.

### **Helpful reminders:**

#### **Naming Clothing, Bags and Lunchboxes.**

The end of the day can be tricky for little ones. Can we please ask you to clearly name coats/sweatshirts/bags and lunch boxes. By managing their own belongings, it will encourage the children to become more independent.

#### **Toileting**

Please keep us up to date with any toileting needs. If your child needs to use nappies and wipes, these need to be sent in from home.

#### **Clothing**

We recommend that children wear comfortable clothes that they can move freely in because we do encourage them to spend time outside playing with water, sand and general messy resources. We would not want anyone to ruin their best outfits!

Footwear- trainers or canvas shoes are best because we do like to spend lots of our time outside and we go to the running track daily.

### **Snack**

Fruit is provided for both morning and afternoon snack. The children have a choice of milk or water. We promote independence by encouraging the children to pour their own drinks and peel their own fruit. Children also need to be provided with a water bottle for use throughout the day, please name it and we will keep it in the snack area where it will be accessible throughout the day. Please ensure it contains only water.

### **'This is me' books and assessments**

Nursery staff will gather observational evidence to assess your child's development under the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. You will receive two reports about your child's progress, and we will update you on their next steps during the parent's evenings. At the end of their time with us, you will be given a 'This is me' book containing photographs, artwork etc. as a memento of their nursery journey.

We are really looking forward to an exciting term ahead and feel privileged to be able to share your child's learning and development with you.

If you have any queries or questions just let us know and we will be happy to help.

Mrs Stapley and the Nursery Team