



### General Information

Victoria Alfi, Elaine Kent, Pauline Hyder, and our MTS Jackie Najdenova, Lisa Hutton and Jenny Newland, welcome you to our new school year. Working in partnership with you, we aim to make your child's experience in Nursery happy, exciting and successful. We will be providing opportunities for your child to play and learn through carefully planned activities and experiences.

Our play and learning will be linked to the children's interests with a special focus on **Myself and My Family** this term.

We will arrange meetings with all parents this term to discuss how your child has settled into nursery life and to talk about their learning.

Can you help us this term?

- Please complete All About Me page in achievement book
- Join us for Read with Me each Tuesday at 11.15am or 3.15pm (Start date to be confirmed)
- Provide wellington boots and spare clothes (Please make sure they are named)
- Help us organise, and run some fund raising events including the Christmas fair and the Halloween disco
- Contribute to your child's online journal (Tapestry)

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will be encouraged to:

- Form relationships with new people.
- Play co-operatively with other children and share experiences.
- Separate from main carer with support and encouragement from the nursery team.
- Express needs and feelings to familiar adults. Follow class rules and routines.

### Physical Development

Children will be encouraged to:

- Move safely in a variety of ways: running, walking, jumping, and sliding.
- Negotiate space successfully and use space to go under, over, around and through.
- Handle and use tools and equipment appropriately, for example scissors, pencil, jug, and construction kits.
- Begin to form recognisable letters.
- Manage self-care including dressing, toileting, washing hands and eating.

### Communication and Language

Children will be encouraged to:

- To listen in small groups and follow simple instructions.
- Use words and gestures to express and share feelings experiences and thoughts.
- Hold a conversation with other children and adults.
- Ask questions.

### Literacy

Children will be encouraged to:

- Share favourite stories, rhymes and songs .e.g. Funny bones, Avocado baby, From Head to Toe, My 5 Senses.
- Repeat words or phrases from familiar stories.
- Listen to stories with increasing attention and recall.
- Explore mark making and writing for different purposes.
- Explore phonics through Phase 1 Letters and Sounds.

### Mathematics

Children will be encouraged to:

- Recite some number names in order.
- Use numbers in their play and show an interest in numerals in the environment.
- Represent numbers with fingers, marks and pictures.
- Explore shape and patterns.
- Compare and order objects by size.

### Understanding the World

Children will be encouraged to:

- Talk about own family and cultural background.
- Make friends.
- Talk about special times and events with family.
- Observe the environment and talk about their discoveries
- Acquire basic skills in ICT.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Children will be encouraged to:

- Join in with familiar songs and rhymes.
- Create sounds with musical instruments.
- Experiment with colours, marks, paint and other materials to create pictures.
- Engage in imaginative play based on own experiences.
- Construct and build with a range of resources.



**Monday 8th October 3.30-7.30pm** - Parent Consultation Evening

**Tuesday 9th October 8pm** - PTA Meeting (Hub)

**Wednesday 10th October 3.30-5.30pm** - Parent Consultations Afternoon

**Thursday 18th October 3.30pm-7.30pm** - PTA Halloween Discos

**Friday 19th October 2pm** - PTA Crafting

**Friday 19th October 3.15pm** - Year 5 PTA Cake Sale in the playground

**Monday 22nd - Friday 26th October - HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

**Monday 29th October - INSET DAY (No children in school on this day due to staff training)**

**Friday 2nd November** - Whole School Maths Day

**Friday 2nd November** - PTA Non-Uniform Day (Please bring donations of any unwanted gifts that can be sold at the Christmas Fair)

**Tuesday 6th November 8pm** - PTA Meeting (Hub)

**Friday 9th November 2pm** - PTA Crafting

**Saturday 10th November 7pm** - PTA Quiz night (for adults)

**Monday 12th November** - Anti bullying week begins

**Friday 16th November** - PTA Non-Uniform Day (Please bring donations of sweets/chocolate for the Christmas Fair)

**Friday 23rd November 2pm** - PTA Crafting and Face Paint tuition

**Friday 30th November** - PTA Non-Uniform Day (Please bring donations of bottles)

**Friday 14th December 3.15pm** - Year 3 PTA Cake Sale in the playground

**Friday 21st December LAST DAY OF TERM, SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30PM**

*Children return to school for the Spring term on Tuesday 8th January.*