



Nursery class newsletter - Spring Term 2020

January 2020

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back! We hope that you had a lovely holiday.

CURRICULUM

Our theme for this term is **Our Heroes**. We will begin by thinking about our home and school and who keeps us safe and helps us at home. We will look at who helps us in our community such as a police officers, doctors, nurses, dentists, firefighters. We hope to have a visit from the firefighters. If you work in the community and would be happy to come in and talk to the children about your job do let us know.

We will learn about festivals that happen this term including Chinese New Year, Pancake day and Easter. We will learn about weather and changes in nature from Winter to Spring. Our role play area will develop from the children's ideas. We have already begun to set our role play up with a doctors' surgery. If you have any resources or dressing up clothes connected with our topic that you no longer want we always appreciate donations.

ALL ABOUT ME BOX

This term the children will take turns to bring home the 'ALL ABOUT ME BOX'. We ask you to help your child choose 5 items from home that they would like to tell their friends about. This could include a photo. Your child should bring the box back to Nursery the following day and will be given a chance to talk about their special belongings.

CLOTHING

The children spend a lot of their time in the outside learning areas and they have a wonderful time learning through active play. Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately for **all weather** situations and has a **warm, waterproof coat**. Every child should have a pair of **named wellies** to wear outside. **Please make sure they have another pair of shoes to wear inside if they wear their wellies to Nursery**. Please also ensure that your child's clothing is **clearly named** to avoid mix-ups. A spare set of clothes (including socks) should be provided in a separate bag to hang on their pegs should your child have a little accident. We have a small number of spares for the occasional extra accidents and appreciate these being returned promptly.

CONTRIBUTIONS

For craft and cooking money this term, we are asking for a **voluntary contribution of £5.00**. Please return this in the envelope provided. Please could you also contribute a box of tissues. We continue to be on the lookout for small or interestingly shaped cardboard boxes (such as tea, or cosmetics boxes) and other recyclable materials including buttons, ribbons, bottle lids, or paper towelling rolls. **As we have some children with nut allergies, we request these do not include any items containing these.**



THINGS FROM HOME

The children often want to bring their own toys in. As we have so many they could unfortunately get lost or get accidentally broken by another child, so please leave them at home if possible! Similarly, we provide drinks and snacks throughout the day so they do not need to bring any.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

If you arrive after the black gate is locked (9.00 and 12.45) you will need to go around to the front of the school and come through the school's main door. You will also need to fill in your child's details in the late arrivals file. It would be helpful to telephone the school each morning your child is going to be absent from school due to illnesses or appointments unless you have already informed the staff.

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS

We like to acknowledge each child's birthday. As part of the celebrating you are welcome to bring in small treats for the class (such as a box of raisins or small chocolate buttons). We are a **nut free school** so please make sure they do not contain nuts. Your child will sit on the birthday chair to hand out these treats which will then be sent home with each child.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Finally, parent consultations will be on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th February. A sign up sheet will be in Nursery the week before.

Please see the school website for other dates.

Finally we would like to say a **huge thank you** for the generous gifts you gave us at the end of last term.

Yours sincerely,
Mary Nethersole and the Nursery Team