

September 2020

Welcome back to preschool and a big welcome to our new starters. Our classroom, along with Reception, is Bubble 1 and we will be staying together and not mixing with other class bubbles.

At the end of the day all toys and equipment will be thoroughly washed, door handles, tables etc will be washed regularly throughout the day. Unfortunately to reduce any risks we ask that children do not bring toys to school at the moment.

Please try to ensure if necessary your child has suncream on before coming to preschool. They will also require labelled wellies for the forest and a spare set of clothes for messy play. A labelled water bottle is also required and if your child is having a packed lunch could you ensure it is in a bag that can be disposed of after lunch rather than a lunch box.

Our topic this term is 'All About Me' to include culture and diversity. We will be covering our senses, bodies, families of all types, emotions and how our lives differ from children all around the world.

We will be discussing Brazilian Carnivals, making carnival masks and baking Russian tea cakes.

For those parents that are new to preschool we play many games to cover Letters and Sounds. These are early phonics and develop children's speaking and listening skills. This will be explained further on Tapestry, our online journal. Parents will be given access to this and can see their child's learning journey with ease and frequency.

Your child will be allocated a key person. We work closely with the children to help everyone progress their strengths within their individual interests, all learning is play based and most is child initiated.

A lot of our time is spent outside in the forest. We are so lucky to have this wonderful area and the children thrive outside physically and emotionally.

Unfortunately at the moment parents are unable to enter the classroom but please speak to us at the door with any concerns or feel free to email or phone school.

We look forward to the term ahead and all the fun learning it has in store.

Jillian and Karen