



SG Nursery Newsletter Autumn 1 2025

Hello to old friends and welcome new ones! For the next half term, we will be focusing loosely on the topic "All about Me!" as we settle into our new year. We will observe and follow what the children are interested in, as this is the backbone of our daily planning and assessment. Our half term plan and what we will focus on in our areas of learning and development will focus on the following prime areas; **Personal, Social & Emotional Development, Communication and Languages and Physical Development**. Please feel free to ask us any questions or share your concerns should you have any.

We are excited to announce that we have secured funding and started a large-scale upgrade to our EY outdoor setting to benefit both early years, the wider-school and community. Throughout the beginning of this half-term, we will continue to work with our builder to provide an optimal and safe setting for our children as we finish up projects and look forward to utilising all of these wonderful upgrades in the weeks to come!

PE will be on a Tuesday morning; children should arrive wearing their PE clothes – red t shirt, black shorts/joggers and plimsolls or any clothing they are comfortable being active in taught by Miss Cowie.

A few reminders:

- **Drop-off and Pick-up Times (30 hrs 8.55-3.15, AM 15 hrs 8.55-11.55, PM 15 hrs 12.30-3.30)**
 - **Morning drop-off** is in the nursery yard at **8.55**. This term, a member of staff will open the gate, and you may line up in the nursery yard with your child and we will take them in from our front door.
 - **Morning pick-up** If your child is not attending in the afternoon, you may collect them from the nursery door at **11.55am** located on the side of our building.
 - **Afternoon drop-off** for 2-year-olds is at **12.30pm** from the nursery side door.
 - **Afternoon pickup** at **3.10pm** a member of staff will open the nursery yard gate for grownups to enter and collect their children at their respective time. Please be sure to register all adults collecting children in the office if you have not already done so. We thank you for your patience as we get to know you and apologise as we may need to confirm with the office permission to collect a pupil if we are unsure.
- Please bring in a spare set of clothing, socks and underwear or nappies in a bag or rucksack that can be left in nursery in the event we need them. **All items of clothing** (including shoes) likely to be removed at any time **must be named** - for the sake of staff sanity please.
- Snack is provided in the morning and afternoon – children will be offered milk/water and a selection of fruit and veggies. Water is available throughout the day, so there is **no need to provide an individual water bottle**, unless your child stays for lunch. We ask that you try not to bring juice in a school-wide effort, are focusing on pupil's oral health minimising sugary food and drinks.
- We completely understand that children need comfort items from home but right now we request that toys of any description do not come into nursery. If you are worried about this, please let us know.
- We are pleased to share that we will be using ClassDojo (an app sharing tool for schools) this year in Nursery to share some of our classroom activities and happenings on a regular basis. If you would like your child to be a part of ClassDojo and utilise our app, please be sure to complete the form provided and return to us so we can add you to our class group as soon as possible. Also please note, that we will only be using ClassDojo as a 'sharing' tool and not for communication as we are a small nursery and are always available to chat with you at drop-off, collection or via phone.
- Lastly, if you are bringing in any paperwork such as consent forms, or letters/money – please take them straight to the school office rather than hand them to a member of staff in early years.

Thank you for taking the time to read this, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions of any concerns.

Mrs Bainbridge (nursery teacher)

Mrs Kerridge (nursery nurse, key person)

Mrs Anderson (teaching assistant and key person)

Miss Maddison (teaching assistant and key person)