



# AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

Preschool: Mrs Harper

## Dates for your diary

19th September—Individual school photos  
18th October—Half term  
5th November—First day back  
8th November—Remembrance day event and EYFS open event  
9th November—EYFS open event  
12th November—Odd sock day  
12th and 13th November—Parents evening  
14th November—Nursery rhyme week celebration EY and preschool  
15th November—Children in Need  
29th November—Non-uniform day  
11th December—Christmas Fayre  
16th December—EYFS Christmas sing-a-long  
20th December—Half term

## Welcome back!

We hope that you had a lovely summer holiday and are ready for the new school term.

We are very excited about the Autumn term, getting to know all the new children and continuing to know all our children who already attend.

Remember, if you have any concerns or questions please don't hesitate to come and talk to us.

## Prime Areas

In preschool we focus on the prime areas: Personal, Social and Emotional development, Communication and Language Development and Physical Development.

In Personal, Social and Emotional development, we will be helping the children develop an understanding of their emotions, learn how to begin to interact with other children and become aware of how to use their self-help skills.

In Communication and Language Development, we will be carrying out high quality interactions with the children, modelling good language and carrying out different activities to encourage language progression with the children. E.g. nursery rhyme time.

In Physical Development, we will have dedicated time within the day for the children to use their gross motor skills—both indoors and outdoors. This is to enable the children to climb run and travel in different ways, as well as having access to a variety of bikes and scooters, etc.

## Phonics

Throughout Autumn term we will be learning all about every day sounds as part of our pre-phonics focus.

We will be learning the different sounds we might hear at the farm, in the jungle or even in our homes! We will be looking at a new story and nursery rhyme every week.

## Maths

In Maths, we will be learning lots of different number rhymes such as: 5 little ducks, 5 speckled frogs and 5 little monkeys.

We will use the matching props to the number rhyme to help us sing the rhymes.

## Reminders:

### Reading diaries

Just a reminder for each child to bring into school each day their reading diary and book. This is so that it is ready for your child to read and have their book changed on any day. Thank you.

### • Donations

As part of our Early Years Foundation Curriculum, we rely heavily on money to fund a wide range of exciting and essential activities such as malleable play, baking, fine motor and make and do. For this, we would like to invite you to make a voluntary contribution of 50 pence per half term or £3.00 for the entire school year. If you would like to make a voluntary contribution, please could it be given to a member of the Foundation team at either the beginning or end of the school day.