



8th January 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Nursery! We hope you have had an enjoyable break and we look forward to welcoming some new children into our Nursery this term.

Our topic

This term we will begin by learning about Winter with a mini-topic on “Frozen”. I am sure most of the children will be familiar with this film! We would like to show some clips from the film as starting points for activities within the Nursery. As Frozen is rated PG we do need your permission for this. If you would rather your child did not see any of the clips from the film, please do let us know. We will also be talking about the weather, keeping warm and about animals living in cold places. Then later on this half-term we will be finding out about Chinese New Year.

Homework Grid

Each half term you will receive a homework grid. This gives you some ideas of activities you can do with your child at home which will contribute to their learning in school. Please choose one activity to do each week and return the folder to Nursery each Tuesday.

Personalised Wall Space

You may have noticed that we have lots of boxes on the Nursery wall, each with a child’s name in. This is a special space for your child. When they have been somewhere special or done something they have enjoyed, you can bring in a photo so that your child can share it with the class and then we will put it in their special box on the wall. The children really enjoy seeing their own pictures on the wall and we would like to keep changing them regularly.

PE Day

The Nursery children will take part in PE in the hall every Friday. Your child will be asked to take off shoes, socks and jumpers. They **do not** need a PE kit. However, it would be helpful if you could make sure your child wears shoes which are easy to fasten (such as Velcro) as this will help them to develop independence in changing. For safety reasons, we tape over earrings, so if your child wears earrings, you may prefer to remove them on PE days.

Library Day

The children will have the opportunity to visit the school library every Thursday. Please provide your child with a book bag on this day and remember to bring back the book you have borrowed every Thursday.

Stay and Play

We will continue our Stay and Play Session on Wednesday **20th January**, once the new children have settled in. Stay and Play takes place every **Wednesday** from **8.45 to 9.15am**. It is an opportunity for you to come and play with your child and find out what your child is learning in Nursery. It has been wonderful to have so many parents joining us each week and we hope lots of our new parents will be able to join us for this special time!



Nursery Fund

The children take part in lots of fun activities during their time in Nursery. However, many of these activities require materials which get used up and often need replacing. Therefore we would really appreciate it if all parents could contribute £2 a term to allow us to continue provide these resources. Pleased put the donation in a named envelope addressed 'Nursery Fund'.

Spare Clothes

Please send your child to school with a complete change of clothes in a named bag and, if possible, a pair of wellington boots which can be kept in school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to come in and speak to me.

Best wishes,

Mrs Jo Baldwin - *Morning Nursery Teacher*