



## Newsletter

1st September 2020

### Welcome

I just wanted to give you a few last minute reminders and reassurances.

For the first few weeks of nursery your child will be spending time exploring their new environment, **getting to know the other children** and the staff. The routines, in particular good hygiene practise including **handwashing** will be established. The teacher's focus will be learning through play and getting to know your child.

Please let us know if your contact **phone number** has changed.

Thank you for letting us know the **hours** your child is doing this week. If you need to make any changes to this just let us know at drop off and pick up.

We realise it has been several weeks since your child visited the nursery but you will need to **leave your child at the door** with one of the members of staff, in line with our COVID risk assessment that you were sent earlier this week from the head teacher. The staff are trained and experienced to support them if they are a little upset, but I am sure if this happens, it won't be long before they are running in enthusiastically.

We like to make the most of our lovely outdoor facilities and would be very grateful if you could provide your child with **a pair of wellingtons** (to stay in school). Also please keep an eye on the weather forecast, as it can be very changeable, and apply sun cream if necessary and send your child in with a waterproof **coat every day**. We go outside whatever the weather!

Please **do not send** nursery children to school with any **drinks or snacks**. All children will be provided with a healthy snack, milk and water to drink in the morning and afternoon and a school lunch (if they attend for lunch and the afternoon).

We will support your child in learning to use their new **toilets** independently. I am sure you have worked hard to ensure your child is toilet trained, but we have some spare clothing if there are any little accidents, so please don't worry.

Please discourage your child from bringing toys to school and ask them to leave any with you at the door. It would be lovely if they could bring with them **a family photograph**.

In the nursery class the children will always be taught in the nursery and looked after in breakfast club and afterschool club and at lunch time by the **Early Years team**.

This week (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) **Mrs Kendrick and Mrs Haddrell** will be teaching in the Nursery class and Mr Peel and Miss Leese will be teaching in the Reception class. All these staff will be running breakfast and after school club on a rota.

As always I can be contacted by email at [hjackson@barlaston.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:hjackson@barlaston.staffs.sch.uk)

**Thank you** for your support

**Mrs Jackson and team.**