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Blue Nursery Newsletter Term 1

‘All About Me’

**Blue Nursery Team**

**Mr Young**



**Mrs Szuster**



**Snack**

Your child will be provided snack whilst at nursery. Fruit and milk are provided, but we also offer a variety of healthy snacks at £1 per week. This can be paid for on Parent Pay, for more details please see the nursery office.

Any water bottles must be labeled clearly, and have cold water in them only.

**Diary Dates\***

**Potty Training Session: 5/10/22**

**How to Play: tips for playing and learning at home TBC**

**\***More diary dates are likely to be added as the term goes on but we will always give you advance notice of any changes or additions where possible.

Welcome to the start of a new academic year in Blue Nursery. We are looking forward to meeting everyone and creating happy and exciting memories together. The main aim of this term is to settle your child into the routines and expectations of nursery life. In the next few weeks we will be looking to start potty training the children who are ready, as well as holding a few parent workshops to help you support your child’s learning at home.

Our topic this term is ‘All About Me’. This helps the children to get to know each other and embrace differences and similarities, as well as build relationships with the nursery staff. Please feel free to bring in a photo of your family so that we can share them as a class. Books shared during circle time will talk about different types of families, people in them and what families like to do together.

**Learning Through Play:**

In the Early Years we teach the children through play. Meaningful play is encouraged through the resources set in the classroom and garden where everything that your child does will have a learning purpose. Topics will change throughout the year, as will the activities the children complete. The school’s website provides extra information on how you can support your child while they are in nursery. If you would like information or to ask any questions about your child’s learning through play, please do not hesitate to ask.

**Picking up and Dropping off:**

On arrival use the gates marked ‘Blue Nursery’ where a member of staff will greet you. Please be on time for arrival and dismissal as it is very unsettling for your child if you are late. Your child will walk into class to be met by a member of staff. We ask that you arrive five minutes before the gate opens. If you are late, please go to the nursery office Monday – Thursday and the main school office on Fridays for assistance.

Gates will be open at **8.30** and **12.30** for arrival and opened at **11.30 and 3.30** for dismissal.

**Becoming Independent:**

Children in Blue Nursery will be encouraged to do as much as they can for themselves, such as dressing, undressing, eating, drinking and washing their hands. This is to promote independence and physical development as well as to create confident, self-reliant learners. Your child will need a backpack with a full change of clothes, including underwear as appropriate, and a pack of wet wipes/ tissues. Your child will also require a coat (appropriate for the weather) and suitable footwear as they will be in the garden as much as they will be indoors.

**Communication between staff and parents:**

Both myself and Mrs Szuster are always available to talk through any queries or questions you may have on the gate, if you need time after your child’s session to speak to me in greater depth then please feel free to arrange a time.

We are looking forward to sharing your child’s learning journey together!

**Mr Young and Mrs Szuster** 😊

**Absences or sickness:**

If your child is going to be late or is sick and will be absent, please phone the Nursery office. It is important that you do this, so we know the whereabouts of your child.

The school office number is 01793 818600.

‘The Roots to Grow and the Wings to Fly’