

# Nursery Newsletter

## Summer 2022

Welcome to the new academic year! We hope you all have had an lovely summer. We are excited to meet our new starters and welcome back some familiar faces! This term is going to jampacked and fun filled!

### RE

During the Autumn term the children will complete four RE topics, the first one is Myself. The children will learn and understand the importance of their name as well as God knows and loves them. Our second topic is Welcome and it focuses on Baptism. The children will learn what it is to welcome and be welcomed. They will also understand that Baptism is how we are welcomed into God's family. We will looking at Judaism and we will focus on Hanukkah and the story of the oil lamp in the temple. Our final topic is Birthdays. Children will learn about birthdays and why we celebrate them. They will also learn that during Advent we are looking forward to Christmas and the birthday of Jesus.

### Understanding the World

The first half term is all about the children and is called 'Marvellous Me'. The children will begin to understand their uniqueness and that it is also important to look after yourself. During this topic we explore; healthy eating, the body and the senses before looking at what they would like to be when they grow up and people who help us. After half term we will look at Autumn and the seasonal changes, the children will go on an Autumn stick journey. As part of the Celebrations topic, the children will look at the origins of Bonfire Night, explore Hanukkah and Diwali. The final part of our Celebration topic will focus on the Christmas Story.

### RSHE

Our topic this term is Created and Loved by God. The children will understand that we are created by God out of love and for love. This module will help the children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships. The children will be introduced to the story of creation. They will learn about how they are all unique and celebrate their differences, talents and abilities. The children will also learn that actions have consequences.

### Expressive Arts and Design

This term in expressive arts and design, the children will create their own button family based on our book 'A Handful of Buttons'. During the first half term we will be looking at ourselves, the children will create a range of self-portraits, they will also look at what makes a healthy lunch before designing and creating one in class. The second half term will be all about celebrations and the children will be learning about Diwali. They will make their own Diya lamps before having a Diwali feast!

### Communication, Language and Literacy

This term in communication, language and literacy we will be looking at different nursery rhymes with the children learning a new one each week. In phonics the children will focus on environmental sounds, instrumental sounds, body percussion and rhythm and rhyme. We will be enjoying lots of lovely books and activities based on these books, including So Much, The Enormous Turnip, Stickman and many more.

### Maths

This term in Maths we will begin by looking at and refreshing colours before moving onto matching. In matching, the children will match objects and numbers, then we will learn to sort. The children will be given the opportunity to sort objects by their colour, size and shape. We will then focus on the number 1 and the number 2, which will also include subitising (Your child will be able to recognise an amount of objects without counting). The final topic will be about patterns. The children will extend patterns and hunt for patterns outside in the environment.

### Reminders

- Please provide your child with a water bottle for them to use in class. Please ensure that this is labelled.
- Please remember to label all of your child's clothing, including shoes and coats.
- As the weather can still be warm, please ensure you apply sun cream before your child attends school as we do spend a lot of time outside.
- Please also provide your child with a hat to protect them from the sun.
- If your child is not going to be in school, please contact the school office by 9:30am. Please remember that good attendance is highly important for your child to succeed.

If you have any questions or concerns please speak to us after your child's session. We are looking forward to having a fantastic term.

Mrs Holt and Mrs Dean