

# Rushey Green Primary School

## Nursery Class Newsletter - Autumn 1 2020

Welcome to our first newsletter of the Autumn term. We would like to say hello and a very warm welcome to all the new children, parents/carers and hope that you have a fun, exciting and successful year with us.

If you have any questions or require any additional information please do not hesitate to discuss with a member of the team.

Thank you,

The Nursery Class Team
Aaron, Judith, Ines, Yvonne, Charlotte

### This term our topic is... Ourselves

Over the course of this half term the children will be getting to know each other through songs and games. We will look at differences and similarities between us, which will help us to remember all the new names and faces! We will identify and name different emotions and will learn how to share and be a good friend.

In literacy we will begin to recognise and find our own names. We will also be sharing and exploring stories.

In maths we will explore numbers through our play and will have opportunities to count in meaningful contexts. We will look at numbers that are significant to ourselves, such as our age, door number etc.

Throughout the course of our day we will be developing our speaking and listening skills by listening and responding to ideas expressed by ourselves and others and we will start to use talk to organise, sequence and clarify our thoughts.

Throughout the day there will be lots of physical activities to help keep us strong and healthy.

<u>Date to remember!</u> 19<sup>th</sup> October - Black History Month <u>Dates to remember!</u>
Friday 23rd October - End of half term
2<sup>nd</sup> November - children return

#### Self-registration



At the start of the school day children need to self-register themselves.

This involves finding their picture and putting it in the "School Box". We want to try to foster independence and so we encourage the children to remove their coats and bags by themselves and put them on their peg. Children will then wash their hands and then choose their learning. Please provide your child with a water bottle each day.

#### Learning Journey

Each child will have their own Learning Journey book which will chronicle their learning and development over the year. It will be filled with pictures, observations by the adults and samples of work made by the children while at school. We also ask parents/carers to share with us any important experiences your child has had at home (e.g. birthdays, holidays, religious festivals, work they've done at home). We can then add these to their Learning Journeys and share it with their classmates!

### Ways to extend your child's learning at home

- Point out numbers in the environment. As you walk to school talk about door numbers, numbers on buses, car registration plates numbers are everywhere.
- Talk about the different colours in their environment
- Encourage your child to use words relating to emotions, e.g. "I feel happy because..."
- Read to your child every night and talk about the author and the illustrator. Encourage children to talk about the pictures and aspects of the story e.g. what part of the book made you smile
- Take your child to the park to develop their physical skills
- It's important your child is toilet trained before they start nursery. Encourage them to tell an adult when they need to use the toilet or when they've had an accident. (Please bring spare clothes in case of accidents!)

#### Outdoor play

The Nursery children are very fortunate to have a safe and inviting outdoor area that is solely for their use. There are always adults outside to enable us to have 'free-flow' access to the playground.



The children can enjoy accessing the water tray, sand tray, bikes and much, much more. This is a valuable resource which will help the children develop their skills further. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the 'Great British weather' including hats and waterproof jackets as they will be going outside in all weathers. Children will sometimes go home messy. This is a good thing because it means your child has spent the day learning and exploring!

#### Healthy packed lunches

If your child has a packed lunch everyday please make sure it includes foods from each of these groups

Drink - a bottle of water

Fillers - bread, pasta, rice

Fruit, vegetables and/or salad

Protein – meat as part of a sandwich, rice or pasta dish.

Cheese/egg/fish/hummus/tofu/Quorn















#### Please do not include

Nuts, chocolate biscuits, sweets, sauasge rolls, nuts, hot dogs etc