

St Edmund's Newsletter

Autumn-1 2019



Note from Headteacher

Hello Everyone! My name is Sian Hudson and I would like to take this opportunity to officially introduce myself as the new Headteacher at St Edmund's Nursery School and Children's Centre.

I feel very lucky that in my new role at this wonderful organisation, I will still have the support and expertise of Anne-Marie Merrifield who continues to lead alongside me. She has chosen to reduce her working week to 3 days and is very much looking forward to her new role as Grandma! Her first grandchild was born on the 28th of September and we wish the amazing Kimberley and the whole family all the very best at this exciting time.

I would of course like to extend a warm St Edmund's welcome to all the new children and families who have joined us recently. We are sure that you will love coming here and our fabulous staff team will do their very best to support you in any way that we can. Please do ask if there is anything you are unsure about or need our help with and remember, St Edmund's is a place for families as well as children – everyone is always welcome!



News from rooms

This half term we are going to explore our classrooms, welcoming all children who have started in Blue, Green, Red and Yellow rooms. The focus will be on settling in new children until they feel happy and confident to say goodbye to their families. We are going to be learning about the daily routine and exploring all areas in the nursery. In St Edmund's garden vegetables, apples and pears are ready for harvesting. #19 Children will use them to make soup, apple crumble or for snack. #47 We will talk a lot about our families and we would like you to support your children by talking about your family members and their homes. We would like to add that you can share all of your family events with us by sending the photos to the nursery's e-mail address and we will use them to encourage the children to talk about their families. Also we have started our lending library. Please make sure you take books home and share them with your children. Amanda's story time will continue every Tuesday and Thursday, please join us with your children. #10 Football sessions, led by an experienced footballer have been very popular over the last few years and they will continue to happen every Friday. Outdoor learning at Chellow Dean and Judith's music and movement sessions, as always will be held every Wednesday. #34, #07 Many exciting things are going to happen and we are looking forwards to experiencing them with you and your children.



News from Baby Room

A number of new babies started in September and even though there was a bit of crying at the beginning, most of them are settled now and doing really well. We go on lots of walks especially to our local park enjoying the weather and exploring nature.



Events for Children and Families

New ESOL classes have started: Every Tuesday morning for beginners and every Wednesday afternoon for functional skills.

This half term we will be taking some families to the City Library every Thursday morning for four weeks starting on the 3rd of October. Please ask your child's key person for details.

5th of October - Please join us for 'Girlington Growers' 11.00-1.00 pm. We will be planting some flowers in our local community. Refreshments provided.

8th of October – Fluoride Varnish. Dental nurses will meet parents at the entrance to gain the consent.



Bill Martin Jr / Eric Carle



Other News

A great big welcome to Adam Bagherian, new teacher in Red Class and our six new apprentices: Kirsty Holdsworth, Roma Hussain, Rumaisa Begum, Andrea Kozarova, Talhah Al-Abbasi and Tanya Rafaqat. Good luck to Haleema Hussain and Fatima Patel who are starting their Foundation Degree.

At St Edmund's we like to promote healthy eating and have introduced a new menu, trying to reduce the amount of sugar we give to the children at mealtimes. The menus are displayed on the Dining Hall door and will soon be available on our website.

Have a lovely Autumn 1 Half Term

