

Early Years Autumn Newsletter

Welcome



Sept 2024

This term our topics are:

All about me – Autumn 1

This half term our topic is 'all about me' where we will be learning about ourselves and our families. Throughout the half term we will focus on different aspects of ourselves such as, my face/body, my family, my home, my feelings, my friends.

We would love it if you could bring in any family photos and baby photos for your child to share in class.

All about autumn – Autumn 2

Throughout Autumn 2, our topic will be 'all about autumn'. As the leaves begun to change, we'll explore the beauty of the season. Our activities will include nature walks, collecting leaves and discussing how the environment changes in autumn. We will also learn about autumn animals and harvest.

Special events – We will also be learning about the different celebrations and memorable days/events (Diwali/Bonfire night/Remembrance Day/Children in need/Christmas) Children will participate in themed activities and learn about the importance of these special events.

How you can support at home:

Reading together – Spend a few minutes each day reading with your child. This helps build a love for books and strengthens early literacy skills.

Talk about the season – Discuss the changes in weather, the different colours of leaves and any other observations you make about autumn. This will reinforce what we are learning about at school.

Encourage independence – Allow your child to practise putting on their coat, zipping it up and taking off their shoes. These small tasks help build confidence and self-sufficiency.

Illness – Please phone school if your child is ill and unable to attend. We understand young children can become ill but we encourage all children to aim for 100% attendance. There are rewards at the end of each term for 100% attendance, with a trip at the end of the school year.

Important dates

Tuesday 24th September – EYFS Parents Evening

Thursday 10th October – World Mental Health Day

Friday 25th October 9-10:15am – autumn craft morning (letter to follow)

Half term – Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

Friday 15th November – Children in Need

Monday 4th November – training day school closed

WB 2nd December – EYFS walk to post office to post Santa letters

Monday 9th December – EYFS dress rehearsal (please ensure costumes are in school by this date)

Tuesday 10th December – EYFS Nativity 9:30am

Friday 13th December – Christmas/winter craft morning 9am – 10:15am. (letter to follow)

Tuesday 17th December—Early Years Christmas trip (letter to follow)

Thursday 19th December – Christmas class party

End of term – Friday 20th December

Early Years Fund

We kindly ask you to pay a voluntary contribution of 50p per week or £3 for the half term please into the EYFS fund. This is used to buy extra resources for the children such as playdough and cooking ingredients. We have a lot of celebrations this term and the Early Years fund will also help towards the costs of resources for children to experience these.

Reminders:

Label everything – Please make sure that each item of your child's clothing (both school uniform and P.E. kit) has their name in it. Clothing often gets mixed up, especially after P.E. lessons and ensuring all clothing is named helps us return lost items quickly.

Outdoor clothing – We have a lot of outdoor learning throughout the Early Years – please ensure your child also has a coat, hat, scarf and gloves, especially as the weather is starting to get colder. We have wellie racks too for your children's wellies so that they can explore the garden as well!