

Nursery Autumn Newsletter

Nurture - Inspire - Achieve

Hello September! We would like to send a very warm welcome to all of the new families joining our learning community and a huge welcome back to the nursery children returning from last year. Our nursery team has changed a little this year so, here is our current Nursery team:

Miss Derraven



Mrs Davies



Miss Coleman



Please remember that we are here to support you and your children and are always happy to help. Each child belongs to a little family group with a key person, who will take care of them. These groups meet every day to talk, have conversations together, plan the children's play, as well as play little focused games and activities that help develop children's learning. At the beginning of each session, we ask parents to support children in hanging up their coat and collecting their wooden name-tag to hang on their family tree.

Thank you for your contribution of fruit money this term. Fruit money is £1.50 per week or it can be paid termly. Please see the whiteboard to see the cost for each term. Through your support we are able to continue to provide a wide range of fruit and vegetable snacks and opportunities for learning, such as baking and gardening.

Independence

Here in Rogerstone Primary School, we promote and celebrate independence to help our children achieve. To support your children please encourage your them to:

- Put coats and shoes on
- Take their own clothing off
- Drink from a cup
- Use a fork, knife and spoon independently
- Go to the toilet on their own
- Help to tidy/put away their own toys and clothes
- Help prepare their own snacks/dinner

Treasure Bags

This is a lovely way of sharing your child with us so that we can get to know and understand them better: who they are, what they like to do, what you sometimes do together as a family and what they have experienced. You can use a treasure bag to bring things in and your child will be given time to talk about what's inside their bag at Family Group Time, which is a great way of encouraging children to speak and listen to each other in small groups. It has been great to see children talk about these items and why they are special to them. Treasure Bags are available in the Nursery cloak room - Please help yourselves.

Outdoor learning

We will soon be beginning our outdoor learning sessions. Please can you ensure that your child wears a suitable coat to school every day and that their wellies are available with their name inside in the cloakroom.

Learning Journals

Each child has their own learning journal which provides an insight into your child's learning journey and provides the opportunity to see snippets of the adventures and discoveries they make whilst in Nursery. Children are always learning new skills and developing their ideas so please help yourself to the 'Golden Moment' and 'I was amazed when...' record sheets that are available and return to a member of staff who can add it to your child's journal to keep us up to date and help us to get to know your children better. The journals are kept in the cloakroom in family groups with the corresponding coloured ribbon tied on. Please take a seat and celebrate your child's achievement. You are also welcome to take the journals home and return the following day.

Reception Applications

DEADLINE 14TH JANUARY 2019

If your child currently has a place in Nursery, it DOES NOT mean they automatically have a place in Reception—YOU MUST complete an application form. The application process is available on line and applications must be sent to admissions and NOT the school.

<http://www.newport.gov.uk/en/Schools-Education/Schools/Apply-for-a-place/Apply-for-a-schoolplace.aspx>

For help in completing an application form or to discuss school places email school.admissions@newport.gov.uk

Children's Bags

As the children are able to access our cloakroom, please ensure that the items inside your child's bag are safe and appropriate. We have seen many iPads, toys or toiletries that should not be in school.

Parent's Meetings

Weeks Commencing: 5th /12th November

You will soon have the opportunity to sit down with the class teacher to discuss your child's progress in Nursery. If you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, please feel welcome to come and speak to a member of the team.

Important Dates

Friday 26th Oct - Nursery closed for INSET Day

Monday 29th Oct - Fri 2nd Nov - HALF TERM

Monday 5th Nov - Back to school

Week of 5th Nov and 12th Nov - Parent's meetings

Friday 21st Dec - School breaks up for Christmas

14th Jan - Reception Application Deadline

Please remember to regularly check the school's newsletters at www.rogerstoneprimary.com to see whole school news and dates