



Nursery Autumn Term 1st Half Term Newsletter

Welcome to Nursery everyone and to some of you welcome to Stanwell Fields!!

Nursery staff

Class Teacher Mrs O'Brien
Nursery Nurse Mrs Small
Learning Support Assistant
Miss Cotton

Our topic this half term is

Why do you love me so much?

We will also use the children's interests to provide exciting learning opportunities for them.



We will be completing a baseline assessment of your child's learning and monitor their progress in each area of learning using the descriptors given by the curriculum guidance. The seven areas of learning are:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development,
- Physical Development,
- Communication and Language,
- Literacy,
- Mathematics,
- Understanding the World,
- Expressive Arts and Design.

We actively encourage parental involvement in your child's learning both at school and at home. We will use the information you give us to support your child in school and understand their development as a whole. Your contribution will also be put into your child's personal learning journey which is kept throughout their time in the Early Years.

Experiences

Our role play area will have a 'home corner' theme which will be added to, developed and adapted according to the children's interests, play and preferences.

During the week beginning the 2nd October we will have our first WOW experience. We have invited a mummy and her baby to visit us and talk about how we care for babies. We will discuss how babies change and the differences between a baby and a three year old.

If you haven't already done so, please could you bring in a family photo for our display board.



Reading

Your child will be able to choose a book from the library every Wednesday. These are for your child and yourselves to enjoy together, we do not expect your child to read it themselves. Please ensure your library books are returned the following week so we can change them.

We would appreciate it if you could teach your child to look after books and treat them with respect. We will ask parents/carers to pay a donation for any books that come back to school damaged or written on.



Phonics

In Nursery we use 'Letters and Sounds' along with 'Jolly Phonics'. During the Autumn Term we will be following Phase 1 of the letters and sounds programme. This involves sharing rhyming stories, singing nursery rhymes, listening games and nature walks.

Home/School contact book

We ask that you stay in contact through your child's contact book. In these you can write messages to us and when you read with your child any comments about how they read.

Mrs O'Brien is also available at the end of each Nursery session if there is anything important you wish to discuss.





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Behaviour

We have an Assertive Discipline Behaviour Policy at Stanwell Fields called 'Stay on the sun' which states the expectations of a child's behaviour and the rewards that will be given throughout the school day. Our school rule is respect and we expect all children, parents and staff to show this to each other and property.



Attendance

If your child is to achieve and fulfill their potential, it is important they attend nursery every day. The nursery doors will open in the morning at 8.50am so the children can be settled ready for learning at 9.00am. The nursery doors will open at 11.50am for home time. If your child is ill please phone the school office to let us know.



Water bottles

Please send your child to school with a named clear plastic water bottle. The children can drink from these throughout the day. Please ensure you only put plain water in them. Thank you!

Maths

In Nursery we will learn to count, recognise and use numbers through play, number rhymes and stories. We will be learning about shapes and patterns in the world around us. Through carefully planned activities the children will practice using vocabulary related to weight and size.



School uniform

The children must wear school uniform everyday (unless there is a special event or Mufti Day). This consists of a white polo shirt and royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo, grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress, black low heeled school shoes made of leather, or leather like materials which ideally have Velcro fastening. Boys socks should be grey or black and girls socks should be white or grey. Girls may also wear grey or black tights.

Please do not send your child into school in lace up shoes as at this age very few children can tie up laces on their own!

Please ensure all items of clothes are labeled with your child's name
For the children's safety we ask children to not wear earrings to school.