

Autumn 2025 1st Half Term – Nursery

Hello, and a big welcome to our Nursery! We are really looking forward to meeting our new class, helping them to take their first steps on an exciting learning journey. We are Mrs Fraser, Mrs Harvey and Miss Townsend. Please feel free to chat to any of us if you have questions or concerns. In this first half term our emphasis is on settling the children into the Nursery environment. We will be focussing on helping the children learn the routines of the day, and encouraging their independence. There will be lots of new and exciting activities for the class to experience, from sand and water play, construction toys, painting and playdough to climbing, running and exploring in our outdoor space. This first half term is all about getting to know you! We will chat about our names, our families and our favourite things.

We can't wait for you to see all the exciting learning on Tapestry which you will be able to log into soon!

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be supporting the children to come into Nursery happily and independently. We will teach them how to hang up their coat, and put their bottle and bag away. We will be encouraging them to choose and settle at an activity. We will be modelling how to play alongside others and will support the children in taking turns and beginning to share with their peers.

Communication & Language

We will be using a lot of language in free play, encouraging chat, and extending vocabulary. We will be introducing routines that allow the children to listen and follow simple instructions. We will be using lots of songs and rhymes and actions to support language development. We will start Circle Time, encouraging the children to take turns to speak and share. We will be reading lots of stories together.

Physical Development

The children will have lots of opportunities to move freely, inside and out. They will be encouraged to use our climbing equipment, large vehicles and balancing apparatus. They will be able to build with the large bricks and push prams and wheel barrows. We will have lots of sensory play for little fingers to explore, such as play dough, foam, rice and pasta. There will be lots of markmaking activities to help the children develop their fine motor skills.

Reminders for this half term:

- Please ensure your child brings in their water bottles and book bags.
- Please provide underwear and a spare change of clothes (to be kept in their book bag).

Mrs Harvey and Mrs Fraser ©