West Rise Nursery

NURSERY NEWS



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Welcome to our existing families and also to all our new families. For some of you this will be your first newsletter. The purpose of the

newsletter is to keep you up-to-date

with all the exciting news and events that will be happening in Nursery. We will also be informing you of key dates

such as inset days and closures, trips etc. We will also be talking about the variety of activities the children will be involved in together with a 'who is visiting Nursery this term' and also 'what's new' to name but a few.

We would love to hear your thoughts on this newsletter and we would be happy to hear about the kind of information you would like to be included.





EVERY CHILD CAN LEARN



KEY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

WELCOME

25 October 4 November 5 November 15 November 20 December

Last day of term for Nursery and School Children return to Nursery and School 5 and 7 November Nursery drop-ins 3.30pm—5pm Individual Photographs Nursery and School Children in Need (wear something spotty) Last day of term for Nursery and School

Settling in



The children have been settling in beautifully and thank you for working in partnership with us to make this a smooth transition. The children are now familiar with our daily routine and also with the areas within the Nursery.

We have all been getting to know each other during free play and circle times and we are beginning to see some lovely friendships blossom. The children have also drawn a portrait of themselves and these can be

seen on our 'Marvellous Me' display in Nursery. Alongside all our learning is our complete immersion in a Mindful approach to nursery life. The children use all their senses and deep breathing to harness the full potential of a calm and focused brain. We will talk more about this in our next newsletter.



AREAS OF LEARNING

Physical development The pre-school children have started to visit the sports hall on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning. We have been exploring the space and practising different ways of moving.



In our nursery garden all the children have been using the cup stilts and wooden steps to practice balancing, climbing and jumping.



Polite Reminder

Could we please remind you if your child attends a morning session the times are 8.45am -11.45am. Thank you.

PLASTIC FREE

West Rise Nursery is committed to working towards plastic-free status by completing the plastic-free nursery programme from 'Surfers Against Sewage'.

We have to complete five objectives that work alongside our early years framework. The work we are doing will help the children's personal, social and emotional development, their understanding of the world around them as well as expressing themselves through art and design with a positive environmental message at the core.

Plastic pollution is a complex problem and we hope by working through the programme and tackling each objective we will not only raise awareness of plastic pollution but we will be able to stop using or at the minimum reduce the amount of single-use plastic we use in the Nursery.





What have we been doing?

This term we have been learning all about the changes that Autumn brings. The children have been exploring seasonal vegetables, including pumpkins and butternut squash. They have been drawing pictures of pumpkins and colouring them in with crayons. They have also been on a Autumn walk and discovering conkers and a variety of different coloured Autumn leaves. The children have been conker rolling in paint plus leaf and apple printing, all their lovely

work can be seen on our Autumn display. We have also been singing Autumn songs and sharing stories.

Next week we will be making healthy apple crumble and baking bread.



HELPERS NEEDED

Calling any green fingered parents/carers/relatives, we would love you to help us plant and grow vegetables and herbs in our growing garden. Please can you let Caroline know if you are interested. Also, if you have any spare wellington boots we would very much appreciate it if you could consider donating them to the nursery.

Thank you as always for your continued support.