

# DEAR PARENTS



AUTUMN TERM 1 • SEPTEMBER 2021

## Dear Nursery families

We are so pleased to share that we have had a very good start to this new school year. The children have been brilliant. They are all enjoying making new friends and exploring the environment and those who come in a little wobbly soon settle. We are so proud of them all.

## 'Settling in and making friends'

We are initially focussing on building relationships, getting to know each other and the environment. The children are being introduced to a range of engaging outdoor and indoor learning opportunities and exciting prompts. Alongside this they are becoming familiar with the expectations and routines of the setting. Polegate School has 3 rules: be ready, be responsible, be respectful. We will be exploring these with our children, what they mean and how we can show them inside and out of nursery.

## Seesaw

Thank you so much to those already engaging with Seesaw as a way to share your child's learning experiences and achievements. We will also show you how we are helping them to move forward in their learning and ways to support your child at home. Please feel free to like and comment on observations and of course add your own and let Lisa know if you are experiencing any technical difficulties.

## Personal Belongings

Please label **EVERYTHING** that your child brings to nursery including clothing, (including what they are wearing), coats, bags, water bottles, snacks, pots, everything! We are finding that we are already experiencing difficulties with reuniting children with their belongings.

## Invoices

These are sent out at the beginning of the month and need to be paid within 7 days of receipt. If paying electronically, please reference your payment with your child's name and Polegate Nursery. If you would like your invoice emailed to you, please let Lisa in the office know and she can arrange this.

## Funding

Funding forms are being given out this week. Can everyone please fill in the EYPP pupil premium section, even if you don't think you qualify. Many thanks. Those new to funding need to show proof of their child's ID. We just need to see it and take note of the number, no copies are made.

## Allergies

Please keep us up to date with allergies and medical needs. We are planning to cook regularly with the children and encourage them to take part in lots of yummy food activities.

## Congratulations

Many congratulations to our very dear Julie who got married over the Summer holiday. We all wish the new Mr & Mrs McNulty so much love and best wishes for the future.

## Home bumps

Can you make sure you fill in a home accidents form if your child is hurt outside nursery. It doesn't take long and prevents confusion when the children share with us the injuries but are muddled as to where it happened. We especially need to know about head bumps as we need to monitor for delayed concussion. Please share with us at drop off so we can arrange this. Many thanks.

## Home Reading

The children are loving taking books home to share. Please remember to initial/comment. 5 in a row means a raffle ticket in our half termly book raffle. Hooray!

## Dates for the diary

**INSET Day - Mon 27th September**

**Last day of term 1 - Fri 22nd Oct**

**First day of term 2 - Mon 1st Nov**

**INSET Day - Mon 8th November**

**Last Day of term - Thur 16th Dec**

**INSET Day - Fri 17th December**

We have lots of super learning planned for the rest of this term including thinking about our families & our homes, sharing our likes, learning how to listen and the importance of kind words and kind hands.

**Many thanks for all your continued support. Wishing you all a super Autumn term.**

**Mrs Trent and all the Nursery team**

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