

# Nursery Newsletter

October 2016

## ***Making Progress...***

The children have settled beautifully into nursery and are becoming more and more confident every day. The Nursery team are very proud of all of the progress the children have made in just a few short weeks. Well Done!

### New beginnings..

We are very happy to welcome our new full time TA into Nursery after the holiday! Mrs Picken has lots of experience working with Nursery children and we are looking forward to welcoming her into the Nursery team.

We will be sorry to see Miss Terry return to Reception after her temporary role in nursery, as she has done an amazing job in helping to settle in our newest children. We will still be seeing her every day in Reception though!



### **How can I support my child at home?**

Encourage your child to understand that print has meaning by looking at print in the environment; for example supermarket names on carrier bags, price tags and menus.

Enjoy reading all sorts of books together fiction, non-fiction, rhymes, whatever your child chooses. Talk about the pictures and encourage your child to retell stories and interesting facts using the illustrations.

Don't forget to change library books as often as you wish from the box in the cloak room.

### **What have the children been learning?**

The children have been practicing counting and recognising numbers over the past few weeks. We have been encouraging the children to count things they can see in their environment and to try and spot numbers all around them.

We have also been encouraging the children to join in with lots of mark making activities! We have been making shape pictures, drawing pictures of our families and joining in with large scale drawing at group time. The children have especially loved sitting together on the carpet and drawing on large rolls of paper to make a group picture..... Something to try at home with the family!

### **Parental Engagement**

Please come along to our parental engagement sessions on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November a.m. 10.30-11.15 and p.m. 2.15- 3.00**. These sessions are an opportunity for you to learn with your child on a one to one basis so for this reason we ask that you keep children younger than school age at home. Go to the main school office on arrival.

### **Staying Warm**

The days are getting colder! The children need to come to nursery with a warm, waterproof coat and sturdy shoes so that they can make the most of all the exciting learning opportunities in our outdoor area. Please label all your child's belongings to avoid items being lost.