Nursery Parent Planning Week Beginning 14th September 2020

Welcome

A very warm welcome to you all from the Nursery staff.

It has been wonderful getting to know your children and we are very proud of the way they have settled in. We understand it can be a very stressful time for them.

Remember that if you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or Miss Drahota.

If someone else is picking up your child, it is important that you inform the school. We will not release the children to anyone without prior knowledge.

Learning Through Play

The Nursery team have planned the classroom with the interests of the children in mind and we have enjoyed watching them explore and investigate all that is on offer. By playing alongside your children and chatting to them, we are getting to know them and how their skills and knowledge are developing.

The children will be continuing to explore their new indoor and outdoor environments. We will be talking about what they can see and how to use the resources safely.

Routines

The children are starting to get used to the routine of the day. We are discussing different times of day such as group time, lunch time and home time.

It is really important for the children to get used to their new routine at school. Having a routine helps the children know what is happening and what is coming next.

The children will be encouraged to hang their own coats on their pegs, tidy up the toys when they have finished playing and get ready for home time.

Notes

- ☐ Please make sure your children have a coat, wellies to leave at school and spare clothes. We will be using the outdoor learning environment every day.
- □ <u>Please label all clothes and shoes clearly with your child's name.</u>
- ☐ Please make sure your child has a named water bottle that they bring to school each day. If your child is staying for lunch it may be easier to keep one small drink in their lunchbox for lunch and an additional bottle that they can use throughout the day.
- ☐ Please check your child's book bags for letters and notes from school.
- ☐Please complete the 'collection form' so we are aware of other adults who can collect your child from school.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development RE

Your child's emotional well-being is very important to us. If you have any worries about your child, please talk to the class teacher, Miss Drahota.

We are helping the children to get to know us, and all of the other children in their class. We are talking about our names and the things we like to do.

It is important that the children feel confident enough to make friends, enjoy playing together and have fun.

Our current RE 'Come and See' topic is 'Myself' and the children will be starting to learn our class prayers.

Learning Journals

These are a record of your child's time in Nursery and will be given to you at the end of the year. It is a collection of photographs, pieces of art work, mark making and observations.

To start the journals off, we would appreciate if you would be able to email a couple of photographs to the following email:

nursery@olopprimary.co.uk

These photographs really get the children talking and help us to get to know your children well.

Reading

Each day the children will be read to in Nursery. We will be reading a variety of stories and poems including traditional tales. There are always opportunities available for children to look at books in our setting. We are teaching the children to look after books and handle books carefully by turning the pages one at a time.

All the research on successful reading shows that parents reading to their children and sharing books with them, has a huge impact on their emotional well-being and ability to access learning. Children love repetition, so may ask for the same books over and over again. This helps them to make sense of the stories and gives them a 'feel good' factor.

Parent Information

There is a Nursery Parent Information Board on the wall next to the Nursery gate. Please check this regularly for additional information and a copy of the parent planning.

Nursery parent planning will be emailed to you each week and it will tell you important information about what your child is learning at school. There will be ideas of how you can help support your child at home as well. Please read this carefully as there will also be reminders about key dates. Parent planning will also be displayed weekly on the Parent Information Board and on the school website.