

Pre-School Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to Pre-School

We hope you've all had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the year ahead in Pre-School! The children all settling in wonderfully. Over the coming weeks they will be learning new routines and of course, making new friends. Our half termly newsletter outlines our curriculum focus for the half term and sets out key reminders. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to catch us on the door or, alternatively, you can send an email:

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Many thanks, Mrs Bilsbrough

Communication & Language

This half term, Pre-School will be focusing on listening carefully to stories and learning new key vocabulary linked to our focus texts. We will also focus on singing familiar songs and nursery rhymes, along with teaching the children a few new songs.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half term, we will be focusing on our sharing and turn-taking skills. We will also have a go at an adult-led activity.

In our *My Happy Mind* module, we will meet our brains – learning all about how our brain helps us.

Physical Development

We will focus on daily fine and gross motor skills and starting our Dough Disco journey.

In PE, we will be focusing on fundamental movement skills and following instructions.

Literacy

This half term, we will be learning to join in with stories and rhymes and beginning to develop our phonological awareness.

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on counting up to 5. We will also be looking at subitise numbers up to 3 and looking at positional language.

Understanding the World

This half term we will be looking at ourselves and our families, focusing on the differences between different people.

Expressive Art & Design

This half term we will take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar. We will also look at showing different emotions in our drawings and paintings.

Reminders

What to bring – Please can all children bring a water bottle, bag and coat to school each day.

Water Bottles – Water bottles **must** be named. Children often have the same/similar bottles, which makes identifying their own bottle difficult.

Book Bags – Please can you ensure your child brings a bag containing spare clothes, in case of any accidents, every day. This must be clearly labelled with their name.

PE – PE is on Friday mornings. Please ensure your child wear appropriate clothing for physical activity, including trainers. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered up. Please name your child's trainers.

Wellies and Waterproofs – The children are invited to bring in a pair of wellies, which will remain in school. You are also welcome to send in a set of waterproofs for your child. Please ensure you have named your child's wellies and waterproofs.

Packed Lunches – Please ensure your child brings a healthy packed lunch to school, containing **NUT-FREE** products. Please do not send sweets in your child's packed lunch box.

Fruit and Milk – If your child would like milk at snack time and you have not already done so, please sign up to Cool Milk (<https://coolmilk.com/parents/>) to ensure your child is on our milk list. We have various fruit on offer at snack time.

Names – *Please remember to write/stick your child's name on all their belongings, including water bottles, shoes and book bags. Children can become upset when they cannot find their own belongings and all the jumpers/cardigans look the same!*