



## Early Years Newsletter: 1

Welcome to the first Early Years Newsletter of the school year! We hope that you will find our regular newsletters useful and informative. If you have any questions or comments about your child's learning or life at school, please don't hesitate to contact us. We are always very happy to have a brief chat after a session, or to make an appointment for a more in-depth discussion.

### Nursery with Mrs Bendall

It was lovely to welcome all of the new children into Nursery last week and to catch up with those children who started with us last year. Everyone is settling in beautifully and has enjoyed exploring inside and outside and starting to form new friendships. The dinosaurs and the builders' yard have been particularly popular! We look forward to getting to know the children over the coming year and to working with you to give them the best possible start to their school days.

### Reception with Miss Smith and Mrs Ash

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer and are ready to start the new school year. The children had a very busy first week, settling in to Reception and getting to know all the adults and children. We have all enjoyed getting to know each other and exploring the setting. Last week we started our Phonics and Maths activities. This week, we will be starting our first story for Talk for Writing: We're Going on a Bear Hunt. We have all been very proud of how the children are coming into school and how confident they have been in the setting. Well done everyone!

- Please only send in water in the children's water bottles. Thank you.
- We are very short on junk modelling; if you have any recycling at home that you could bring in, we would be very grateful.
- Book bags and reading books will be sent home after Half Term.



#### Forest School

When your child has Forest School, we will dismiss them from the Nursery gate; this is to allow a quicker home time for the children. The children will need layers as the weather turns colder, please send in clothes that you don't mind getting muddy and wet. Please ensure that the children's clothes are labelled.

Dates for your diary

- *Tuesday 17th October* Flu vaccination (for those who consent) YR-4
- *Tuesday 17th October* Parents' Evening YN-6
- *Thursday 19th October* Parents' Evening YN-6
- *Friday 20th October* Reading Breakfast & Open Morning
- *23rd-27th October* HALF TERM
- *Monday 30th October* Children's individual photos
- *Sunday 5th November* Bonfire Night from 6pm at Overstone
- *Thursday 14th December* Reception Christmas play
- *Friday 15th December* Whole School Pantomime at Overstone and **Last Day for Nursery children**

Best wishes,

The Early Years Team

