

24th September 2021

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome to the first Nursery Newsletter of the school year. The children have settled in really well and it is lovely to see new relationships being made.

For those who are new to our Nursery a typical day begins with the register and a short teaching session on the carpet in the quiet area, the children then go into the nursery environment choosing to play indoors or outdoors. Snack is available on the snack table throughout the session and also we stop midpoint through the morning/afternoon, sit together and have something to drink as some children are so busy playing they forget to refuel! This time is also used as a second whole class teaching time. The children then return to their playing until it is time to tidy in readiness for the end of the session. Before the children go home we have a chat about what the children have enjoyed and sing nursery rhymes or have a story.

A reminder that snack money is £1.00 per week. Please place all contributions in the little yellow box placed outside the Nursery door on the left.

For those children staying for a full day there is a contribution of £1 per day as your child is attending beyond the agreed 15 hours or 30 hours. (Sessions are 8:40am-11:40am/12-3pm, the extra charge covers the cost of a lunchtime assistant.) If your child stays for 2 and 1/2 days charge will be £2, those staying for five days, charge will be £5 per week.)

Many thanks for no longer sending in to Nursery, bags and bottles as they are not needed. If you feel your child may need a change of clothes, just in case, please send them in a plastic, carrier bag with their name added and we can keep this in our "toilet" area if ever we need it and it will save you bringing it backwards and forwards each day.

The children will be bringing home a book bag with a book they have chosen from our Nursery library to share at home with you. This will be changed on a daily basis or if they are enjoying it you are welcome to keep it longer. One of the best things you can do as a parent is create daily reading habits, a nice time is just before bedtime. Children with good vocabulary alongside developed speaking and listening skills are those who have a book read to them from a young age. I will also be sending out log in details for "EducationCity" which has many games, activities and videos which supports work we do in Nursery.

Our Big Book we looked at this week was called "Brown Bear Brown Bear What do you see?" by Bill Martin Jnr. If you type this into YouTube you will be able to listen to it with your child. It was amazing how quickly the children picked up the language within the story and read it with me by the end of the week as I pointed at the words. We chatted about each animal and how they were different and also about our favourite animals and colours.

Don't forget to have a look at our Twitter page @stannestanleyf1 to see photographs of what else we have been doing this week.

Enjoy your weekend and we look forward to seeing you all back in nursery next week.

Nursery Staff