# New Marston Primary School

## Nursery Newsletter - Term 3

#### Welcome to Term 4!

#### **Welcome Back!**

We hope you had a wonderful half term break and are ready for another term of learning. We can't wait to hear all about what you got up to!

There will be lots happening so please keep your eyes on Class Dojo as this is the main way of communicating with us (or chat to us at the door).

Although nursery is non-statutory we do ask that if you are absent you let us know. This is good practice for when you start school. Just give us a call in the office. This also includes holidays and appointments. Thank you!

#### **Topic this term**

This term our topic will be **Animals**. We will be learning about different types of animals and reading lots of stories about them. We will also take into account the interests of our children, especially those who are a focus, and provide learning opportunities around these. We will be taking part in pancake day as well as paying some attention to learning about Easter. Please remember to share on Tapestry any learning you do at home. We really love to see what you get up to.

#### **Nursery Team**

Amy - Mon/Tues/Alternate Weds Keeley - Thurs/Fri/Alternate Weds Ruth - Mon - Fri mornings

Lisa - Mon - Fri

Ambreen - Mon - Fri mornings and Mon/Weds/Fri PM Chloe - Tues/Thurs PM

#### **Communication**

We will communicate with you via Class Dojo - please download and use this app. If you are messaging us please remember that we don't always see it immediately and will reply within 48hrs.



We also use Tapestry to share learning about your individual child and this will be used during your child's focus week. Parentmail is used to pay for trips, breakfast and after school club as well as additional sessions you may have asked for.

For wraparound and additional sessions please email Amy nursery@nmps.org.uk

#### **Fostering Independence**

We are working really hard to develop independent young learners. Please support this by showing your child their peg and allowing them to hang their coat themselves. They can do it and will get much better at it when they can practice! We are also encouraging independence in toileting, hand washing and eating. Let us know how you get on at home.

#### **Dates for the diary**

- 12th-16th February Half Term
- 7th March World Book Day
- 18th March PTA Easter egg hunt
- 28th March Last day of term

#### **Focus Children**

We will continue to use the focus children cycle and will be observing the interests and play of each child on a cycle. We will invite you in to discuss our observations and share anything you have noticed during this period. Please keep an eye out for a Focus Child form which will come home. Please return these filled in so we can see what interests your child and it also gives you a chance to share anything from home.

If you have missed your focus child meeting or did not get offered one please ask Amy or Keeley and we can arrange something for this term. These meetings are your chance to discuss your child and speak with us without rushing at the door! We look forward to meeting you.



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#### **Wishing Tree**

We really appreciate the donations we received from our wishing tree. We were overwhelmed with kindness and really appreciate your generosity. We will do this again as our supplies get low.







### **Nursery essentials**

- Water bottle
- Spare clothes labelled with your child's name on
- Wellies & a waterproof coat. We go out in ALL weather
- Please make sure your child's clothes are ALL named

Please make sure your child's coat is appropriate for the weather. They spend a long time outside so a warm coat is essential.

#### Nursery drop off and pick up times

**Morning**: our gate opens at 8:45 and closes at 9am. Please be on time for nursery and get into good practice. Home time is at 11:45. Please be prompt - we endeavour to open our gate on time for collection. Our **afternoon** session starts at 12:15 and we lock the gate at 12:30.

We open our gate at 3pm for home time and close it at 3:15pm. If your child has 30 hour funding your hours are 9am until 3pm. Please do not call your child out from the door. If you are on your phone we will wait until you have finished to hand over your child.

Please do not drive into the school to drop off and collect your child - this is for the safety of all our children.