



**Curriculum Overview
Nursery**

Autumn Term 2014

Dear Parents,

Welcome to your Autumn term Overview for the Nursery. We are enjoying getting to know your child and supporting them on their exciting Early Years journey. We hope that you have found the information before your child started and home visits helpful and that they enable you and your child to adapt to Nursery life happily.

We have valued the information that you have shared with us already about your child. We look forward to working in close partnership with you throughout the year and welcome information about your child's interests and any experiences that they have been involved in with you at home. Please send in photos with a note to explain the context, which we can use to help to build up a profile of your child which celebrates their interests, experiences and achievements at home as well as at Nursery. Observations and notes will be kept in their Learning Journey record, which we will share with you frequently throughout the year.

We have included an achievement star with this information which we invite you to write on to tell us how proud you are of anything your child has achieved at home recently. Returned stars will all be shared in group time and displayed on the board at Nursery. Extra stars will be available in a wallet on the Achievements board (in the cloakroom area) which you may help yourself to at any time.

Our theme for this half term is 'Settling In'. This allow us to focus on your child, get to know them and help them to make choices, so that they can experience the range of activities that Nursery has to offer. We follow a similar routine for each session initially so that the children feel safe and secure in knowing what comes next. Next half-term we will focus on 'Colour, Shape and Sound' as well as 'Christmas' of course! (See more detailed overview.)

As part of our commitment to 'Learning through Play' and the principles of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum your child will be offered opportunities to access activities in both the indoor and

outdoor environments. It is important therefore that they have appropriate clothing for outdoors. Please ensure that they have a pair of named wellies left on the trolley in the cloakroom. They will also need a warm waterproof, preferably hooded, coat for when the weather gets cooler. Please make sure all their clothes are kept clearly named.

Over the term we will be exploring the wider school environment, with regular visits to the school hall, library and music room and exploring all around our lovely school grounds.

We encourage the children to choose a book to share with you at home. Please return this book each week for changing.

Tuesday— Jenny's Ladybirds

Wednesday— Cate's Butterflies

Thursday— Mrs Miller's Bees

Please be aware that we have a child attending Nursery who suffers from a severe nut allergy. No nut products should be brought into the Nursery, please.

Whilst we enjoy celebrating the children's Birthdays in Nursery, we are a 'Healthy School' and so request that parents do not bring in sweets to distribute to other children. There is no expectation to provide any treats.

Nursery doors open at 9am and we politely request that children and younger siblings are supervised on the green play area, and not allowed to play with table or other activities that have been set-up for learning in our outdoor classroom area before Nursery session starts.

Please do not hesitate to talk to your keyperson with any concerns, queries or to share information.

Mrs Miller, Foundation Stage Leader