

## General Information

To ensure that we can plan and deliver exciting opportunities to bake regularly, taste a variety of snacks and have the ingredients for weekly Play Dough we kindly ask for a contribution from parents of £3:00 per half term.

Our children in Nursery may bring home activity sheets and work books to support their learning at home. Please make sure these are returned to school on the following Monday. These will be writing, drawing or speaking tasks.

The Foundation Stage Curriculum has 7 areas of learning which are Personal and Social Development, Physical Development, Communication and Language, Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design. These will be discussed with you in the next parents meeting, although you are welcome to chat to us about this at any time.

Please ensure that you are encouraging your child to become independent by letting them try to put on their clothes and shoes by themselves.

Please ensure that all items of clothing, coats, bags and lunch boxes are clearly named as it makes it easier to ensure your children go home everyday with their items.

If your child is a Morning or Afternoon child, please refrain from bringing in book bags as we do not have anywhere that we can store these each day. However, could children that stay for the full day (30 hours), please bring the school bag that they were given to school everyday as they will keep this in their drawer and take home things they have made during the day.

Any Junk boxes or materials that you wish to recycle will be very much appreciated by us, as we use it in our creative area for making amazing models.

We actively encourage children to bring in their achievements, certificates and rewards from outside activities as we enjoy seeing what our children have been doing. However, we do ask for toys and jewellery to be kept at home as we do not want these to get broken or ruined.

Please speak to a member of staff if you have any questions or concerns. Thank-you so much for your support. We are looking forward to an exciting and busy year ahead.

# Nursery

## Autumn Term



Ladywood  
Primary School

Teachers - Miss Wilding  
HTLA - Mrs Spialek  
TA - Miss Marriott

The Autumn term is always a very exciting time for Nursery especially on the lead up to Christmas. Our main topic will be 'Woodland Animals and Polar World'. We will be using stories, props and our environment to explore this topic and to help our learning. Here is a brief summary of some of the activities we will be doing.

In **Literacy**, we will be learning how to recognise and write our own name. We will listen to different stories and have a chance to look at books ourselves. We will also be trying to remember events in stories we have read. We will be looking at different books and will be deciding which ones we would like to take home in our library sessions on Mondays

In **Mathematics**, we will be using a variety of number rhymes, songs and props to develop understanding of number and calculation. We will use a variety of resources to help us count, recognise numbers and explore shapes. We will be trying to understand and use positional language to describe where we are and where objects are.

In **Understanding of the World**, we will be talking about the similarities and differences between ourselves and others. We will be talking about the different celebrations we may celebrate. We will also be looking at the changes that happen in our environment as we move from Summer to Autumn.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development** we will be learning how to be a good friend and how to follow the rules. We will talk about our feelings and trying to name how we feel.

In **Physical Development**, we will be developing our spatial awareness by moving around the room in different ways. We will also be using pencils, scissors etc. to develop fine motor skills. We will be encouraging children to put on their own coat, shoes and socks so that they can develop their own self-help skills.

Our topics this term are..

'All About Me, Space, Autumn and Celebrations'

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we will be drawing and painting pictures of characters in the stories that we are reading and we will also be creating pictures of different objects we see. We will be exploring and talking about the texture of different objects. We will be exploring what happens when you mix colours. We will be making musical instruments and exploring sounds and rhythms that we make. We will also be learning lots of new songs to sing in school and at home.

In **Communication and Language**, we will be working on our speaking and listening skills in our lessons and whilst we are learning with our friends. In our Literacy and Curriculum lessons, we will be learning new words that we can use, joining in with class discussions, listening to stories and joining in with songs.

In **Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural**, children will be encouraged to respect one another and property. Children will be made aware of school rules and expectations. We will listen to others and show care for others feelings. We will find out about the diverse world we live in.