

## Home reading programme

Home reader books will be changed on **TUESDAY** and **FRIDAY**, so please make sure that you bring in book bags and reading record books on these days.

Please support your child by ensuring they read the book that they bring home with them and return it every Tuesday and Friday .

Even though your child is not a reader yet, you can support them by reading to them; emphasising key words and initial sounds, talking about the pictures and asking questions about what you have read.

We are looking forward to a great half term and thank you all for your continuing support!



Dates for the diary:  
Wednesday 23rd October - Black History Month performance in church



St John and St James  
C of E Primary  
School

## Dear Nursery Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the new school year! We hope you and your children are refreshed and excited for the year ahead.

This newsletter will give you some information about what the children will be learning over the coming weeks. The adults working in the Nursery are Miss Korbay, Miss Sait and Miss Little.

## All about Me and settling in to Nursery

As we begin our new school year we will be learning about ourselves and others. At this age, children are just starting to form friendships. They are also learning about the thoughts and feelings of themselves and others.

We will be looking at the progression we have made from a baby to where we are now, exploring emotions and feelings and how we can manage them effectively. We will be discussing where our families originate from and look at the distance between them on a map.

We will also be learning about the different body parts and how to wash our hands thoroughly using soap to keep us healthy and safe.



## Maths

We have lots to focus on this half term in maths!

We are going to be learning to identify and say what is different and what is the same between variable things and explain why.

We are also going to begin to categorise objects according to properties such as size; putting objects in order and stating which is bigger and smaller.



## Literacy

This half term some of the books we will be focusing on are 'Hello Friend', 'So Much' and 'Lulu Gets a Cat'. We will be reading a story over a period of three weeks and will be basing our activities around it. We will also be learning new words and actions to go with these books. We will draw a story map which visually reinforces the series of events in the book so that the children can recall and begin to retell what the story was about.



Our reading corner is filled with many different related books that the children can use independently throughout the day.

## A few reminders...

- Morning Sessions start at 8.55am and finish at 11.55am
- The nursery day will finish at 3:30 pm for those who attend full time.
- Afternoon session start at 12:30 pm and finish at 3:30 pm

**Please ensure your child has a labelled drink bottle.**

If we could please ask that you drop your children off via the **door to our Nursery playground.**

## Polite notice

Please remember to bring **two** changes of clothes for your child. All clothing must be labelled with your child's name.

In nursery we strongly believe that children learn through doing and with this comes a little bit of extra mess. Be it the black marks made with a pen as they develop their mark making skills, or the dirt from the garden area that helps them to improve their imagination and use of descriptive language.

Please don't dress your children in clothes that are too special. We do our best to keep them covered and clean but at times your child may get a little messy.