



Hilderthorpe Nursery Newsletter

Autumn 1 2024



This Half Term

This half term our topic is "It's Good to be me!"

In Communication and Language we are thinking about developing our speaking and listening skills. We will be joining in with story times, taking part in listening games and speaking to our friends and adults with increasing confidence as we settle into school and the routines. We will be talking about ourselves and our families and likes and dislikes.

In Personal, Social and Emotional learning we are developing friendships with our new friends who have joined us in Nursery and beginning to follow the new routines. We will be getting more confident with separating from our main carer and selecting resources in the classroom. We will be developing our independence and resilience with tasks such as putting our coat on and going to the toilet independently.

In Physical Development we are focussing on using our outdoor area to develop our gross motor skills by climbing apparatus safely, balancing and negotiating spaces. We are beginning to develop a dominant hand and using a range of tools for mark making. We will also use tools to develop our fine motor skills such as tweezers, threading and loose parts.

In Literacy we will be sharing lots of stories about starting school and our families. We are beginning to enjoy sharing stories together and are learning how to handle books carefully in our book area. We will be looking at familiar signs and logos to develop our early reading skills. Our traditional tale this half term is Little Red Riding Hood and we will be retelling the story in our own words.

We will be developing our maths skills using lots of fun and exciting activities. We love singing counting songs and rhymes every day. We will be using number names spontaneously in play and noticing numerals in the environment. We will also develop knowledge of time by beginning to anticipate specific time based events e.g. snack time/home time

In Understanding the World we will talk about changes in the seasons as we move into Autumn. We will be naming parts of our body and talking about members of our family. We will look at similarities and differences between ourselves and others. We will be learning about the importance of taking care of our teeth and are hoping to even have a visit from a dentist!

In Expressive Arts and Design we will explore a range of tools and begin to create using various construction materials. We will be making patterns with paint and different objects and exploring what happens when you mix colours. We will be singing a range of songs and using instruments in our play.

Spare Clothing & Belongings

We like to spend time learning outdoors in all weathers and the children also enjoy water play both indoors and outdoors.

Please can children bring a spare set of named clothes to keep on their pegs (these do not need to be school uniform) and if possible a pair of named wellies.

Staff:

The staff in Nursery this term are-

Teacher- Mrs Jackson
Nursery Nurse- Mrs Harding

We are always in need of spare clothing so any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Please ensure you name all lunch boxes, drinks bottles and clothing. We have lots of similar items and it can be hard to reunite them with their owners.

AM session 8.50-11.50am
(Doors open at 8.40am)

PM Session 12.20- 3.20pm
(Doors open at 3.10pm)

Reading

Your child will bring home a story to enjoy. Please share this with your child and when you would like to change it, send it back into Nursery and your child can choose a new book.

More information about ways you can develop Early Reading at home

<https://cdn.booktrust.org.uk/globalassets/resources/bookstart/reading-with-your-child-3-4-years/bookstart-reading-with-your-child-3-4-english.pdf>

- We are creating a class photo wall and would love to add photographs of your child with their family to our wall. If you have a photograph that we could use, please send it into school for us to add to our display. We are happy to photocopy and return original photographs or you could email a photo to the school office who will pass it on to us
hilderthorpe.primary@eastriding.gov.uk
- We are using Twitter, please follow us on Twitter @HilderthorpeSch to share our activities and celebrate our achievements.

