



## Wye Under Fives Newsletter

Term 2, 2020

### Dear Parents, Carers & Children

We've been having some strange weather recently – some beautiful, crisp autumnal days and some soggy, wet, rainy ones. As someone once said, there's no such thing as bad weather, just inappropriate clothing.... Thank you to everyone for sending children in wearing wellies, coats, gloves etc – it helps us to keep playing out of doors as much as we can.

As always, we ask that everything is named so we can return it with the right child. Many thanks.

### The Seasons

This term we'll be learning about Autumn and Winter and we'll be using many different activities, which will cover the seven different areas of learning in the EYFS. For example we'll be making our own stickmen (L / EAD); talking about what we see in our gardens (CL / UTW); threading leaves and doing leaf rubbings (PD / EAD); mitten matching (M) and counting how many acorns the squirrel has (M / CL).

Our role play area will start the term as a woodland themed area, before changing into a winter wonderland in December, with a Christmas tree that will need re-decorating every day.

There's lots to commemorate or celebrate this term with bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Diwali and eventually Christmas.

### Learning Journeys & the EYFS

At the back of every child's learning journey there's information on the EYFS – Early Years Foundation Stage. This covers children from birth to 5 years old and gives guidance on what stage children are at when they're different ages. The EYFS covers three prime areas of learning PSE (Personal, social & Emotional); CL (communication & language); PD (Physical Development) plus four specific areas L (Literacy); M (Maths); UTW (understanding the world) and EAD (expressive arts & design).



### Children in Need

The annual Children in Need appeal is 9-13<sup>th</sup> November. During the week everyone is welcome to wear their spotty clothing, fancy dress or even Pudsey ears. Many in our community have had an extremely difficult year, so instead of collecting money, we've decided to collect food items for the local food bank. Please have a look through your cupboards for products that are in date and can be donated – or if you can, please consider buying something extra when you're at the supermarket. We'll have a box at the gate to collect your donations. Thank you in advance.

### Sickness

Please call us on 01233 812235 if your child is absent due to ill health. In the case of D&V, our policy is that we cannot accept your child back in the setting until they have been clear of all incidents for 48hrs. This is because of the highly infectious nature of bodily fluids.

If your child or a member of your household suddenly has a temperature, new cough or loss of taste or smell, these are the potential symptoms of Covid19.

We cannot accept your child with these symptoms and request that you call 119 to organise Covid 19 testing. When you confirm to us a negative test result, we will be able to accept your child back into the setting. If you receive a positive test result, we also need to know as we then need to take action to stop the individuals in our setting passing it on to others.

Thank for your understanding, it's much appreciated.