

# Autumn Term - EYFS

# Teacher's Message

We are so proud of how all of the children in Nursery and Reception have settled into school. They have coped well with routines and have had lots of fun exploring the environment. seeing old friends and making new ones!! All of the children look super grown up and smart in their uniforms, please ensure that all items are labelled with their names. Early years staff are Mrs Lord. Mrs Leighton. Miss Wright and Ms MacDonald, please feel free to chat to any of us in the morning or at the end of the day about anything you need to. Thank you for your patience when dismissing the children at the end of the day whilst staff get to know new faces, keeping your children safe is our priority.

#### NICER

Our challenge pack for this half term is 'You and Me' and our challenge is to produce a picture to show our first half term in Nursery or Reception. This challenge enables the children to get to know each other and their school better and develop an understanding that, although we are all different we are all special in our own way.

### English

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A great importance is placed on speaking and listening skills in EYFS. Stories are a great way to develop these important life skills and the children will be exposed to many stories throughout the year. Reception children have started their daily phonics lessons this week and Nursery will be playing lots of games to develop their listening skills.

#### Maths

In Maths we will focus on rote counting and counting how many objects are in a small set. We will also be working on our subitising skills (recognising a small amount in a set WITHOUT counting the objects one at a time). The children have enjoyed playing counting and shape games on www.topmarks.co.uk which can also be accessed for free on a phone or tablet at home.

## Tapestry

Staff have started to log learning experiences on the online learning journey 'Tapestry'. If you are not able to access this please let a member of Early Years staff know.

#### Dates

Parents evening – 25<sup>th</sup> October Half term – 30<sup>th</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> November Christmas Fayre – 13<sup>th</sup> December Term ends – 22<sup>nd</sup> December @12pm We are Reading.... The Everywhere Bear, Paper Dolls, The Rainbow Fish, Oliver's Vegetables, Funnybones...

#### Homework

Nursery and Reception will soon be bringing a school library book home for vou to read to them. Added to this Reception will bring home a school reading book that they will begin to read at home. A great way to develop a love of reading is to visit the local library so that the children can choose new books regularly.