



September 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome to Kindergarten! We hope you have had a lovely summer. We are looking forward to an exciting and successful year with your children.

Our topic for the Autumn Term will be *Our Wonderful World*. This half term we will be focusing on the theme *Ourselves*. The seven areas of learning will be delivered through a wide range of activities and experiences both inside and outdoors. During the first few weeks we will be helping the children to settle into Kindergarten routines. We will also be talking about ourselves and our families.

As a school we focus on one thinking skill and one value for each half term which are woven into every aspect of school life. Our value is *Courage* and our thinking skill is *Good Judgement*. We will be incorporating these into our everyday activities and experiences.

We are looking forward to guessing who the children (and grown ups!) are from their baby photos for our Special Starter. Later in the term, our Marvellous Middle will take us Around the World in Five Days. And finally, our Fantastic Finish will involve party clothes and glitter as we end the term with our Christmas party.

Book of the Week

We love reading books in Kindergarten so we thought it would be nice if the children had the opportunity to share their favourite book with the class. We have put together a rota for the year so each child has a chance to share their favourite book from home. Please help your child to choose an appropriate book and bring it into school during their allocated week. We will put a copy of the rota into your child's book bag during the first week of school.

Uniform and belongings

Please ensure ALL belongings are clearly labelled, including shoes, wellies and lunch boxes. The children will have their own tray which is located on the right as you enter the classroom. The children will sign in as they come into the classroom and then they will put their book bag into their tray.

Communication Books

We will send your child's new communication book home during the first week. Please keep the book in your child's book bag and check it daily for any messages. A member of the Kindergarten Team will also check the book on a daily basis. There will be a weekly timetable on the inside cover of the book.

Afternoon Activities

Our afternoon activities are:-

Monday – Games

Tuesday – Cookery

Wednesday – Outdoor Exploring

Thursday – Science

Friday – Art

We are looking forward to a fantastic term ahead. We have an open door policy so please do not hesitate to speak to one of the Kindergarten Team if you have any questions or queries.

Kind regards

The Kindergarten Team

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 13th September – Curriculum Evening 7pm

Tuesday 19th September – Individual and Sibling Photographs

Thursday 28th September – Grandparents' Day

Tuesday 10th October – Harvest Festival
Parents' Evening

Thursday 12th October – Parents' Evening

Friday 3rd November - FOSMA Fireworks Display

Wednesday 6th December – Christmas Concert

Thursday 14th December – Christmas Church Service & Open Classroom

Friday 15th December – Kindergarten Christmas Party