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Nursery Newsletter Autumn 1 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to Raglan Nursery's first newsletter of 2020.

The start to term, although different to normal, is going well. We thank you for your support with all the changes.

The Nursery environment is looking both welcoming and exciting. We have been very lucky to have been able to purchase new furniture using funds donated from the Friends of Raglan, our school fundraisers. We have an outstanding role play area, that the children are very much enjoying!

Your children are adjusting well to nursery life, and are very much engaged with their learning and they are settling in well, which is great to see!

Parents always ask if their child is making friends, but to the average 3 year old this is achieved after they are happy and settled in their environment, as there is always so much to do in the short time they are with us. Please don't worry as we are all friends in Nursery and your child will make relationships when they are good and ready.

Kindest regards,

The Nursery Team

Our Learning

This term we shall be welcoming all our existing and new children into Nursery. We shall be focusing on being happy to wave goodbye to our grown-ups and becoming settled and familiar with the Nursery surroundings. We will be learning our friends' names and the Nursery routines, such as carpet time, snack time, lunch time and home time, with the use of our visual time line. We will be learning how to play, share and take turns with the resources on offer. We will also be focusing on hygiene (lots of handwashing) and toileting independently.

We will also be learning our Nursery classroom rules, as well as our fire and lockdown drill procedures.

There are a lot of new experiences!

As a team we are getting to know your children and learning all about what they like to do and their personal interests.

Term Dates

Monday 7th September – Friday 23rd October

Half Term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

Returning to nursery Tuesday 3rd November until Friday 18th December 2020

Keyworker groups

Your child will have one of the Nursery team staff as a keyworker in Nursery. The keyworkers duties are:

- To build a good relationship with your child, to assist with their settling in period
- To learn and enhance your child's interests through play
- To assess your child following the EYFS Development Matters guidelines
- To discuss your child's learning journal and development with you at parent meetings twice a year (not currently during Covid19)
- To be your first point of contact if you have any concerns regarding your child

We are normally lucky with the weather in September so please remember that if the weather is hot to apply sunscreen before your child enters nursery for their session. Children need to have a sunhat with them for outside play.

That being said if the weather changes please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for indoor and outdoor play. Please name all items of clothing, so we can return to you if they get left in nursery.

Please note - Wellington boots are not allowed to be worn inside the Nursery.



Resources to support our learning

We are looking for donations of:

- Toilet rolls, Corks, or small wooden items (pegs, cotton reels etc)
- Small pieces of guttering/down pipes
- Gardening tools for children/watering cans/diggers etc

We use lots of tissues in Nursery wiping running noses and as we are approaching the season of runny noses can we ask our parents for donations of boxes of tissues.



Childhood illnesses

Please can we ask that you do not send your child into Nursery when they are feeling poorly.

We unfortunately share everything in Nursery and very quickly, so if your child is presenting unwell please keep them at home until better.

Let us know if your child is going to be absent, via email or call. Please contact your GP if you have any concerns or you need advice.

Please see head teachers letter sent out on school gateway for information regarding Covid19.