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Coming up week beginning 19/09/22

Welcome to Nursery!

Now all of the children have started Nursery we would like to say well done to all of the children and parents! The children have learnt new routines and are enjoying making new friends. They have become tired towards the end of the week- lots of sleep and a big breakfast will help with keeping your child's day positive. **We are now looking forward to a busy half term packed with fun and exciting activities!**

Theme for the Term: All About Me!

We have been having a wonderful time getting to know all of the children. Our topic this half term is 'All About Me'. We are beginning to play lots of games to learn everybody's names, playing games to help our listening and sharing skills

We would like to hear about the childrens' families and homes next week

Please send the following in to school (or email) by Tuesday if possible:

- 1) A photo of your child and their family
- 2) A photo of your house

We will use these to spend time talking 'all about me' over the rest of the half term.

Dear Zoo and Brown Bear Brown Bear

Ove the past two weeks we have spent time reading 'Dear Zoo' over and over again. We got so good at it that we made our own 'Dear Zoo' with our own animal choices. We got quite imaginative with words to describe the animals! To bring the story to life, On Friday morning we will be having two visitors- a frog and a snake! They will be travelling from a company called 'Darwin's Kingdom' and we look forward to seeing what they children make of seeing these animals! This will also be a link to our new story of the week, Brown Bear Brown Bear.

Through exploring the different colours of the animals in Brown Bear Brown Bear we will experiment with mixing colours to create our own animals

Zones of regulation

We will be exploring the emotion of 'happy' and 'calm' as part of our 'zones of regulation' work we will be doing this year with the children. Please look at this link to more information on this: <http://www.mead.surrey.sch.uk/wellbeing-at-the-mead/>

Feeling at home

We would love to make our home corner and classroom environment more familiar to the children by having a larger range of items around us to make the children feel more at home in the range of languages that reflect our class. Please let us know about resources we could look out for or if you could supply anything!

- If you have any books or magazines in home languages.
- Cookery books for your home cuisine.
- Any cooking utensils that you use at home that we do not have already- eg. Wok, Balti dish, tagine, etc.
- Material to use for dressing up etc...
- Food packaging (empty!)
- Music from your culture that is familiar to your child.
- Your child's name printed out in their home language if written differently to English.
- Anything else you can suggest that would reflect your home culture.

Thank you for helping!

Here are a few reminders to help with the daily running of the Nursery.

What to bring into Nursery

Please ensure your child has the following with them every day:

- Clearly named water bottle (a familiar sticker might be useful). This must contain only water please, not juice.
- Clearly named book bag- it is helpful for the book bag to have one keyring on so that your child is able to recognise the book bag.
- Clearly named coat.

Your child does not need to bring in an additional rucksack with fruit or spare clothes (unless we have a separate arrangement that has been agreed). It is important that your child is able to be independent from the start, so less items to remember will help!

Lunchboxes

If your child is in Emperor Penguins please remember to pack a healthy, manageable lunch for your child to eat. If there is too much in their lunchbox, they can become over faced.

Grapes- please cut these in half, lengthwise for safety.

NUT FREE SCHOOL! At The Mead we are a nut free school. There are several children with nut allergies in Nursery. It is of uttermost importance that lunchboxes contain no nuts.

Uniform

The nursery children look very smart in their new school uniform!

- Skirts and dresses are not part of our school uniform as they can be dangerous when climbing.
- Please make sure that your child wears shoes safe to climbing- trainers or plimsolls are perfect (only Velcro please!)
- Please also remember no jewellery is allowed as part of our school uniform policy. This includes earrings.
- Please name everything!

UNIFORM

All children are required to wear our nursery uniform. Children can dress in the uniform listed in which they feel most comfortable.

Uniform Details

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- Dark grey tracksuit bottoms or dark grey leggings
- White t-shirt (with or without logo)
- Dark grey or royal blue shorts (for summer)
- Shoes/trainers without laces (we suggest Velcro trainers)
- Book bag with school logo



Optional Accessories

- Royal blue reversible fleece/waterproof jacket with school logo
- Royal blue sun hat with school logo
- Royal blue winter hat with school logo



Please note that children should not wear any jewellery to nursery.

All clothing and bags should be clearly labelled with your child's name.