



The Federation of St Joseph's Junior, Infant and Nursery Schools

'Together We Can'



Autumn 1 2022 Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Firstly I would like to welcome you all to the nursery and thank you for submitting the various forms you have been given.

The children for the most part are now coming in happily and are coping well with separation from you. Thank you for preparing them so well for their first time in nursery. They are adapting to the new environment and routines very well.

During the morning the children are given a snack of fruit and milk or water. The lunch time routine is going well and the children are being ably assisted by the lunch time supervisors. If you have any concerns please let me know and I will do my best to resolve them. Please make sure lunches are healthy and we are nut free zone school.

This term our nursery class will be having a **PE session on Wednesdays and Fridays.**

We have already had one session this week which went very well. On **Wednesday and Friday**, the children should all wear **trainers**. However physical development happens every day in the nursery and children spend a lot of time outside therefore it is probably best if they wear trainers most of the time especially with the cold and wet weather arriving. Please make sure that all their clothing and in particular their **coat is labelled at the top with their name.**

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TIMETABLE



School Day 9.00-3.00pm full time

9.00-12.00pm part time

12.00-3.00pm part time

P.E. Wednesdays and Fridays.

Please ensure your child's clothing and bag is labelled clearly with their full name.

Home Reading Books.

To be given out on Friday and re- turned on Friday.

Outdoor learning is an important part of our early years curriculum and we kindly ask that you provide your child with a pair of **labelled wellington boots** to support this. If possible, we ask that these remain in school to ensure we are able to learn outside in all weathers.

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Please can we ask for a voluntary contribution of £5.00 for cooking and gardening. This money can be given to any member of the nursery team.

Our main topics for this half term will be '**All About Me**' and '**Our Heritage**' as well as our story and rhyme focus which will be the '**Maisy's Bus**' and the rhymes '**Miss Polly had a Dolly**' and the '**The Wheels on the Bus**'. To help us with the our '**All About Me**' and '**Our Heritage**' topics could you please provide a copy of a photo of your **child when they were a baby** and also a **family photo**. If you have any **photos** or **artefacts** from your child's cultural heritage that you could lend us it would be much appreciated. We will take great care of them.

Some ideas to support your child with your child with our topics;

- Sing lots of nursery rhymes and particularly 'The Wheels On The Bus' and 'Miss Polly Had A Dolly.'
 - Look at the numbers on the front of the buses.
 - Talk about your wider family and heritage.
 - Share lots of stories.
- Talk about the changing weather and Autumn. Collect lots of different coloured leaves and conkers and acorns at the park and let them bring them into the nursery if they want to.
 - Give them lots of opportunities for mark making and drawing.
- Encourage them to tidy away their toys etc. as this is good practice for nursery tidy up time.

Thank you for your continued support Mrs Swain

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