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Nursery Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Wimbledon Chase Primary School and welcome back to those who have returned to the Nursery. We have been pleased with how well the children have settled into school so far with only a few tired faces at the end of their Nursery session.

Nursery staff

Ladybird teacher: Miss Lawson

Butterfly teacher: Mrs Scott

Key workers: Miss Pearce, Miss Hickling and Miss Harrin

Topic



Our main topic this term is '**Marvellous me!**'. We will be focussing on exploring our interests, getting to know the routines of Nursery and building new friendships. Throughout this topic we will be giving the children opportunities to lead their own learning. A copy of our topic web is on the notice board outside Butterfly class.

Throughout the half term we will be encouraging the children to focus on developing a range of skills during child-initiated play and adult-led learning. The table below outlines some of our expectations this term:

Transforming lives through education, aspiration and inspiration



Curriculum Overview for this half term

Physical development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore new climbing equipment• Move in different ways (outside and during PE in the gym)• Use the Nursery toilets and attempt to redress independently
Communication and language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen to adults reading stories• Identify familiar sounds• Respond to simple instructions e.g. to put their coat on• Use words and sentences to express ourselves to adults and peers
Personal, social and emotional development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Separate confidently from carers at the beginning of the Nursery session• Begin to form friendships• Understand and follow the routines of Nursery
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recite numbers to 5 and begin to recognise the numerals for each• Use language of quantities (more/less) to describe groups of objects• Use language of size to describe different objects
Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Join in with Nursery rhymes and familiar stories• Begin to give meaning to marks (painting, drawing, printing...)• Show an interest in books and explore them independently

Drop off

A reminder that drop-off time is **08.30** for the morning and 30 hour session. Please ensure you arrive at Nursery for this time. **Our register closes promptly at 8:45, any child arriving after this time will be marked late.** If you arrive after 8:45 you will need to enter via the school office.

AM pick up at 11:25 - please use the black gates on Chase alley. Buzz to be let in. Code #1956 will need to be used to leave via the black gate (this code will change half termly and will be communicated to parents).

PM drop off at 12:30 - please use the black gates on Chase alley. Buzz to be let in. Code #1956 will need to be used to leave via the black gate (this code will change half termly and will be communicated to parents).

During our settling in period one adult is welcome to come and help their child into class and stay for 5 minutes. If your child needs a little help in letting you leave, please see a member of staff.

Pick up

Please wait along the fence until you hear your child's name being called.

If your child is being picked up by a different adult from usual, please tell the class teacher at the beginning of the day and post a picture of them on Tapestry or email the school office during the day. We are unable to release children to unfamiliar adults without parent consent.

Please remember that children and parents must not enter the school premises before their allotted time. For health and safety reasons, no children, including siblings are allowed to play or climb on the equipment at the beginning or the end of the day. Thank you in advance for social distancing with other parents in the playground.

Daily 'jobs'

The children have a few 'jobs' to do when they arrive at Nursery. Please encourage them to be as independent with these as possible:

- Find their peg and hang their coat up
- Drop off lunch boxes and water bottles outside

Everyday items

Please remember to send your child with the following everyday:

- A water bottle
- 2 changes of clothes in a bag (which can stay at nursery)
- Weather appropriate clothing (e.g. sun hats, coats, woolly hats)
- A packed lunch (30 hours children only) with no nuts

Please remember to label all 'removable' items such as jumpers, coats & hats as they are often misplaced by the children and it helps us to return them to the correct owner!

Routines:

Both classes are a mixture of children who access 30hr and 15hr provision.

Each day the timetable has been carefully planned to ensure that the children receive a rich and diverse curriculum

Each child has an allocated key worker. The adults work across both rooms and your child will be working with every adult throughout the week, not just their key worker. Therefore, you will find that your child's key worker will not always be in their drop off room. We encourage the children to build relationships with all the adults, so whoever is available at drop off will be a familiar face for your child.

A reminder that we operate an 'open door' policy for communication, so we encourage you to **share any questions or information** as you drop off and pick up. If there is something you would like to discuss in more detail please organise a meeting with your child's key worker.

If you have not already activated your Parentsims account please see the activation email, sent this week, from Sims parent. Any forms to return to school, please hand them over to the class teacher.

Reminders

Please regularly check the parent notice board located just inside the main Nursery gate for the most up-to-date information about what is happening in Nursery. You should have received a list of term dates in your welcome pack; a copy of this list is also available on the notice board.

Important Nursery dates for this term are as follows:

- **Monday 20th September:** Please bring in a family photo or post one on Tapestry to share with the class at talking time
- **Wednesday 24th September:** Harvest festival (food can be donated to the foodbank can be donated to the Nursery team)
- **Wednesday 13th October & Thursday 14th October:** Individual & sibling photos
- **Thursday 14th October:** Sponsored event (further information to follow)
- **Wednesday 20th October & Thursday 21st October:** Parent consultations 3:30pm-7pm/3:30pm-6pm (further information to follow regarding parent consultations)
- **Friday 23rd October:** Nursery closed. INSET day - virtual parent consultations.
- **Monday 25th – Friday 29th October:** Half term
- **Monday 1st November:** INSET day
- **Tuesday 2nd November:** Children return to Nursery

Donations for tissues and baby wipes. Please see a member of staff if you are able to dedicate any time or resources to revamp the garden.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask a member of the Nursery team.

Kind regards,

Mrs Scott, Miss Lawson, Miss Pearce, Miss Hickling & Miss Harrin