

# St Mary's Nursery



## Newsletter



January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,



That's us into the second week of the new term. We hope that all our new children and parents feel warmly welcomed. The children are all settling really well. Mrs Campbell is still the Key Worker for the Yellow Group, Mrs Davey looks after the Red Group and Mrs Curtis has the Blue Group. Each day we try our best to tell you something about what your child has been up to. Please remember to always ask us when there is something you don't understand. No question is too silly to ask.

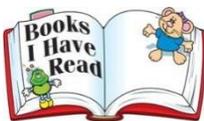


Our theme for this half term is 'Winter.' It has been nice for the children to experience some lovely crisp Winter weather recently. The Blue Learning Journey folders can be found beside your child's Busy Box in the Nursery. Please feel free to have a look your child's at any time. At the back there is a section for Parent Contributions (comments, photos, etc) about anything that you want to celebrate about your child eg going to swimming or dancing lessons, riding their bike without stabilisers, helping at home, going to a wedding, party, writing/drawings at home, etc.

On Friday 9th February we would like to take the children for a walk in their local environment and then to play in the Phoenix Park. If you would like to come with us you can sign up on the sheet attached to the little notice board in the Nursery.



Reading stories to children is so important. We would like to draw the attention of all our new parents to the Nursery Library (the basket under the Smartboard and the Book Box in the Rainbow Room). We would love to see it being used on a daily basis with your child changing his/her book on arrival at nursery. If you have books at home that your child no longer reads and is willing to part with the nursery would be very grateful for them.



Would you be interested in being a Parent Helper in Nursery? Perhaps once a week, to help with all sorts of jobs eg. doing an activity (indoors or outdoors) with the children, making snack, cleaning jobs, gardening, etc. Please sign up on the Parent Noticeboard. Any help will be greatly appreciated.



With regard to toys from home we would continue to encourage you to help your child to understand that it is best not to bring them to nursery. If they want to bring it to show Staff or friends they can do so but please take the toy home afterwards. It is such a shame when something gets broken or lost. Thank you for your understanding.



On a Monday, could snack money (£2) please be paid. Thank you for your co-operation. The Snack Menu is written up on a White Board at the front door for you to see and discuss with your child. Please continue to discuss the **Nursery 'What's Happening?'** with your child each day. It is stuck on the front door and Parent Noticeboard each week. Some parents take photos of it on their phone and then speak to their child while they are having breakfast. You can also see it on the school website under the Nursery tab. This is a great way to develop communication and language skills for your child.

With many thanks,

The Nursery Team