

# St Mary's Nursery



## Newsletter



September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to all the families returning their children to Nursery and a huge welcome to all the families bringing their children for the first time to St Mary's Nursery. We hope everyone settles very quickly and really enjoys this special stage in the Learning Journey of each child. We like to think of our Nursery as a place where you can bring your child to blossom and flourish, in the same way that a gardener places his/her seedlings in a warm and caring environment of a nursery for young plants.



Partnership with parents is extremely important to us. Working together with you is, and always will be the best way, to help your child reach his/her full potential at every stage of their education.

This term our Learning Topic is '**All About Me.**' We hope you enjoy having a go at some of the activities on the Parent's Page that has been distributed. This year we would like to call these pages 'Nursery Homework' and we will be asking for feedback. Your child's Learning Journey Book sits beside their Grey Busy Box, which holds their bits and bobs, pictures and paintings, etc. Please feel free to have a look at the book at any time. Contributions from you as parents are always appreciated. These can be comments, photos, 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, etc.

**ALL  
ABOUT  
ME!**



Each week, after the weekly plan is prepared, Mrs Curtis types a Nursery **What's Happening?** which is emailed to you, using the school Parentmail. Please take time to read it with your child and talk about what is going on at Nursery. This is a good way to help your little one make his/her own plans and decisions about what and how they are going to learn. Paper copies will be on the Nursery front door. You can also see the **What's Happening?** on the school website under the Nursery tab.

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. It is such a shame when something gets broken or lost. If they need to bring something to show us it can be taken home afterwards by yourself. Thank you for your understanding.

Once the children have settled we would like to invite parents in for a Stay and Play session, from 9am to 10.30am. Mrs Curtis' Blue Group will be on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Sep and Mrs Campbell's Yellow Group will be on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct.



On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Sep we would like to do a **Sponsored Welly Walk** to raise funds for the Nursery, to purchase extra things for the children as and when they are needed throughout the year. The money is also used to help pay for the coach when

we go on our end of year trip, next July. We will leave the Nursery around 9.30am and walk to Phoenix Park. We will have a picnic snack provided by the Nursery in the Wood. If you can come with us as a Parent Helper please sign up on the White board in the Nursery.

If ever there is anything you wish to talk about, any concern at all, please do come and speak to us.

With many thanks for your support,

Mrs Curtis and Mrs Campbell