

Nursery Information Autumn 2017













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Dates for your diary - Autumn Term	
Wednesday 4 th October 2017	School Photographs (individuals)
Tuesday 10 th October 2017	School Photographs (sibling groups)
Friday 13 th October 2017	Friends of Ravenscroft Cake Sale
Wednesday 18 th October 2017	Family Celebration Event - Diwali
Wednesday 18 th October 2017	Last day of half-term for pupils
Thursday 19 th October 2017	School closed for Diwali
Friday 20 th October 2017	School closed for pupils (INSET Day 2)

General Notes

- Please ensure <u>ALL</u> of your child's clothing is labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe.
- Please be aware that we have some children with severe allergies.
 Do ensure your child does not bring any outside food in their pockets or bags. We provide children with milk and fruit every day.
- If your child borrows any items of clothing from Nursery, please ensure they are washed and brought back as soon as possible. Any donations of unwanted clothes would be greatly appreciated.
- Please be aware that the morning session is from 8.45 11.45 and the afternoon session is from 12.00 – 3.00. Please make sure you are on time to drop off and pick up your child.
- We have a junk modelling table. If you have any empty clean food boxes, tubes, containers, bottles etc., please bring them in!
- Children must be able to dress themselves (coats/zips etc) and confidently use the toilet. If your child can't, please help and encourage them to do so as this helps them to build confidence and independence.

Reminders

- Reading We read with the children every day in small groups and share a story with the whole class at circle time.
 We encourage parents to read with their children as much as they can at home and we have a box full of books that can be borrowed.
- Writing Please encourage and help your child to write their name at home.
- If you know any nursery rhymes or children's songs/poems, please enjoy these at home with your children; if you don't know many, there are lots of books containing rhymes for young children, you could visit the local library and borrow books from there.
- Please ask your child about their day at school and bring in any work from home to celebrate with friends and teachers.
- Could you please ensure that your child does not play on the outdoor equipment whilst waiting for Nursery to begin.

Need to talk to your child's teacher?

Remember – you don't need to wait until Parents' Evenings to talk to your child's class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you drop off /collect your child. If you need a conversation, make an appointment – your child's teacher will normally see you on the same day.

Useful Websites

www.espresso.co.uk



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MATHS

Children will learn early maths skills by singing a range of number rhymes and songs. They will also begin to join in with daily maths groups.

Understanding of THE WORLD

During this term, the children will be provided with a variety of opportunities to explore the topic of 'Ourselves'. They will be encouraged to talk about themselves, family and friends, noticing similarities and differences.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We will help the children to build their confidence by providing them with lots of opportunities to meet and talk to other children and nursery staff. The children will be encouraged to choose activities and find new ways to do things.

EXPRESSIVE ART & DESIGN

Using different types of construction, the children will begin to stack, build and balance blocks making houses, towers and other things from their own experiences.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Children will develop their gross motor skills, using climbing equipment, bikes and obstacle courses.

Music

The children will develop early writing skills by exploring with different materials to make and give meaning to marks. In small groups they will be encouraged to listen to and join in with familiar songs and rhymes.

LITERACY, COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

During weekly music sessions the children will take turns to create sounds using a variety of different musical instruments.