

# Autumn Term 1 October

### **Ditton Nursery School**

## Newsletter

### **Dates for your Diary**

**6th November-** Stay and Play **10th November-** Library Launch

**13th November-** Nursery Rhyme week

13th November- Odd Socks day 17th November- Children In Need 27th November- Christmas craft Stay

and Play

**5th December**- Delamere Forrest Trip **11th December**- Christmas singing with the elderly

**15th December**- Christmas Sing-A-

20th December- Christmas Party 20th December- Close for Half Term 4th January– School Re-Opens

### Dear Parents/Carer

We are delighted to welcome back all the children who have returned to us this term and we have enjoyed welcoming all our new children who have joined us this September, I am so pleased at how well the new children are settling in to 'life at nursery'.

Best Wishes,

Liane Johnson Executive Headteacher

### 2 Year Olds

This half term we have welcomed back new and old friends.

We have been learning the routines of the day and working on becoming more independent. We have been practicing taking off our shoes and pulling our trousers up and down to help with care routines.

The children have enjoyed exploring our key texts, Owl Babies and Goldilocks and the Three Bears. They have enjoyed re-telling the story and exploring the concept of size.

We have learnt a variety of rhymes this half term, our favourite being 'Row, Row, Row your Boat' The children have enjoyed singing alternative verses.

The children have shown an interest in role playing in the home corner. We have talked about our families; who is in our family and what special routines we have at home.

We have also enjoyed exploring the season of Autumn through printing in the playdough and rolling conkers down the guttering.









### 3-4 Year Olds

This half term we have enjoyed welcoming everyone back and getting to know new friends.

We have been learning the routines of the day and working on our independence skills. We have been practising getting ready for outdoor play by taking off our shoes, putting on a waterproof before finally getting a pair of wellingtons on.

Our key text 'We are Going on a Bear Hunt', has been a great success and the children have loved acting out the story and changing the words.

We have learnt a variety of rhymes this half term with our favourite being One, Two Buckle my Shoe. The children have enjoyed finding alternative rhyming words too.

The children have shown an interest in Halloween this half term so we have been making potions, exploring light and dark and have made vegetable soup.

We have embraced the British weather and have loved exploring the rain; colour mixing in the puddles; and using our problem-solving skills to catch and direct the rainwater.

Finally, the children have enjoyed telling and then acting out their own stories using the helicopter stories approach and we hope to develop this over the year.









### Stay and Play Sessions

We had a really positive response to our 'stay and play'. You will have the opportunity to stay with your child to see what they are doing in nursery, play alongside them, observe the way that staff talk to them, as well as see how independent they are. We are hoping to hold this W/C Monday 6th November. More details to follow on school spider.

### Uniform.

We now offer a school uniform which is available at the school office.

Navy Sweatshirt: £11 Blue Polo T-Shirt: £10

We have now set up social media page to try and update parents/carers where possible of changes or activities the children have been up to. If you wouldn't mind following the pages and sharing it with family and friends we would really appreciate it.

Facebook: Ditton Nursery School

### **Wrap Care**

We are now offering Wrap Round Care from 8-6pm daily.

This is offered to children from 2 years old. We cater for funded and non funded hours.

For more information please see Catherine in the School office or email reception@affns.halton.sch.uk

### **Ditton Nursery School -**January Intake

Please spread the word to Family, Friends and Neighbours that we have places.

### APPLYING FOR A PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACE

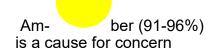
Please remember that EVERY ONE MUST FILL IN A HALTON FORM

Apply on Line www.halton.gov.uk/ schooladmissions or Visit your local Direct Link DO NOT rely on an individual school form. Last date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024

### **Attendance**

We are already assessing all children and planning to support their next steps. It is really important for children to come every day to ensure that they are not missing any of the exciting things we have planned. If your child is not well please contact to let us know.







Snack money for this half term is £10.00. Can we remind parents that snack is in addition to your child's nursery funding so can you please also pay

snack for this current half term if you haven't already done so. Payments can

be made: Half Termly - £10.00

Termly - £20.00 Full year - £60.00

### **Payments**

Can we ask that all payments - snack money, trip money etc be paid into the nursery school bank account or through the school spider app. Please ensure all payments are clearly identified with your child's name and details.



### Contacts

Tel: 01514244687 Option 1

Email: reception@affns.halton.sch.uk

WhatsApp 07310 051855

Or Message us through the School Spider Parent App

### Dropping off & Picking up of children

Can we just reminder all parents and family members of the drop off and pick up times of children. The purpose of this is so the groups are not continually disturbed during the session

Drop Off Pick Up

9—9.10am 30 Hour Pick up 3pm 12pm

12.45– 3.45pm 3.45pm

### **Privacy Notice**

Please find the privacy notice relating to data protection on our notice board & web site.



### Disabled Car Park Spaces

you will be asked to move.

Please do not park in these spaces unless you are registered disabled and are displaying your blue badge. Staff will challenge anyone who is parking here unless they can see badge displayed and



### Yellow Zig Zags - Parking

Can we ask that parents do not park outside of nursery school on the Yellow Zig - Zags. These lines are here for a reason – the safety of all the children.