



## Newsletter: Term 1 2019



### A warm welcome!

The staff at Seashells Nursery would like to say a big, warm welcome to all our new starters this September; We hope you settle well and enjoy your time with us. We would also like to welcome back our children from last year; we hope you have enjoyed your summer break and continue to enjoy exploring and learning with us.

Each child has a key worker, if you are unsure who your child's key worker is please ask. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to us and we will do our best to resolve any issues or support your child and family.

A big welcome to the new members of our staff team; Sian, Angie, Jess, Kelly and Sarah.

### Termly theme/topic

Our topics this term are 'All About Me' and 'Nursery Rhymes'. We will be finding out about our similarities and differences, our families, friendships and respect and kindness.

We will also be learning a selection of nursery rhymes over the term. You can help your child learn these at home too, in readiness for our sponsored performance at the end of term.

### Topic stories and events

Each week we will focus our adult supported activities on a different topic-based story. The stories we will look at include: *Owl Babies*, *This is Our House*; *Baby Elephant*; *Guess How Much I Love You*; *So Much*; *Handa's Surprise* and *Lima's Red Hot Chili*.

We will have a focus on talking, particularly when working in our key groups. To support and encourage these discussions we are asking families to send in a family photo (with notes on the back including who's who and any interesting facts).

Each week we have Cara who comes in and provides children with an opportunity to join in with a 'Sing & Sign' session too.

### General reminders

Thank you to all parents and carers who have already supported us by donating £3 voluntary contribution. If you can contribute please do; this really helps towards playdough, cooking ingredients and additional resources each term.



### Please Help!

We are in the process of further developing our mud kitchen area. If anyone has any old, unwanted kitchen utensils, pots and pans, baking trays etc they would be gratefully received. We would also love to add a microwave, kettle and hob to this area, old/not working would be perfect!

We use a lot of 'junk modelling' materials. If you have any old fabric, cardboard tubes/boxes, bottle tops or clean plastic pots/tubs which could be used for model making please bring these items in so that we can keep our resources topped up.

### Things to remember:

- Write your child's name on **all** their belongings.
- Water bottles need to be **named** and taken home to be **washed** at the end of each day.
- Children will have the opportunity to play outside in all weather; appropriate clothing for rain and cold weather is essential!

**Thank you for your continued support.**

**The Seashells Nursery Team**

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- Macmillan Coffee Morning: Weds 25<sup>th</sup> Sept (more information to follow)
  - Nursery Rhyme Challenge: Weds 16<sup>th</sup> Oct 11am & Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2.45pm (more information to follow)
  - Term 1 finishes: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct
  - Term 2 starts: Weds 30<sup>th</sup> Oct
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