



Cygnets and Ducklings

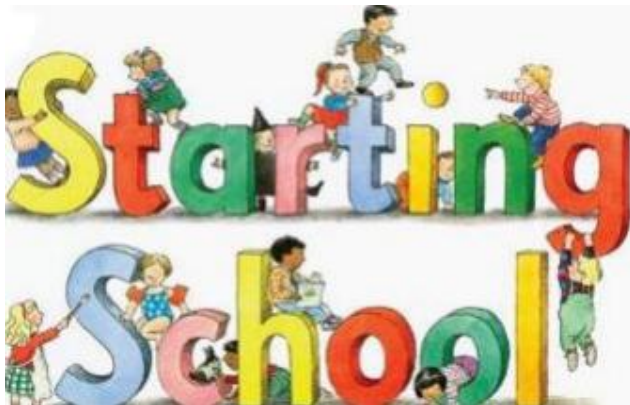
Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you and your families have enjoyed the summer break. The new school year has got off to a great start and we have all been really impressed with how ready, respectful and responsible the children are in Ducklings and Cygnets class. All the children have been so responsible coming into school and saying goodbye, settling quickly and starting a morning activity independently. Thank you for your support in this great start to each day.

What your child will be learning this term:

All About Me

During both their choosing and learning time and adult-led activities, the children will be exploring all about themselves and starting school. We will explore what makes each of us special, our families and traditions. The children will understand that other families and cultures may be different to their own and celebrate this positively. The children will have the opportunity to really explore and discuss starting school and how they feel about the changes in their life. Through reading a range of high-quality texts, the children will be encouraged to describe themselves, their families and talk about their own experiences with others. This will be a fantastic start to the year and allow children to develop their self-confidence and ability to form new and positive friendships.



Ways you can support your child's learning at home:

Whilst at home with your children and out and about, talk with them about what you can see and hear. What colours can they see, what noises can they hear, can they recognise any signs, numbers or letters. Sharing a story book together will allow children to be exposed to a wide range of words. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding when they listen, it's important for them to understand how stories work too i.e. beginning, middle and end.

Learning and Development

During your child's time in Nursery, they will experience a variety of exciting and engaging activities and learning opportunities. We recognise that children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates, all areas of learning and development are equally important and interconnected.

Tapestry In Nursery

We use Tapestry, which is an online journal, to help record all of the learning and fun in children's early years education. During child and adult-led learning, adults will make observations using the system, Tapestry. These observations will be shared with parents during the week's sessions by logging on to the app. Parents are able to contribute to tapestry and share their children's wow moments from home that can then be shared with the rest of the class.

Uniform:

In Ducklings children should wear plain white or navy-blue polo shirts, grey skirts, trousers, shorts or pinafore dresses, and navy-blue sweatshirts or cardigans. Socks should be black, grey or white and tights should be grey. Footwear should be smart black shoes. Please make sure that all items are named. No jewellery should be worn except for simple stud earrings, and long hair should be tied back please.

Water bottles and snacks

Children need a named water bottle in school each day. This needs to be taken home to be washed out and refilled. Nursery are provided with a piece of free fruit or vegetable at snack time every day.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do come in and let us know. We are looking forward to working with you and your children this year.

Have a great term!

Mrs Neath and Kiley Morgan

