



St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

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'Through Christ we live, love and learn in our caring community.'

Nursery News

Autumn Term 1

Wow! We can't believe how fast this first half term at Nursery has gone. We just want to say how proud we are of all the children and how well they have settled in. You wouldn't think they had only been at Nursery for just under 7 weeks, some for the first time and some having only just turned three! We are amazed at how well they come into Nursery in the mornings and afternoons, how good they are at going and accessing all the provision throughout and all the little friendships they have made. Well done to all of them!

Thank you all for arranging a parent consultation with me this week. I hope that they were as informative as you needed but should you need to come and speak to me any further about anything then please do. We will try and arrange for everyone to have 5/10 minutes to come in and take a look at your child's work at some point before Christmas.

Just a few things we would like to say before we start the next half term:

- If you have not returned your Tapestry permission form then please can you do so by **Monday 2nd November**. We can't start uploading your child's observations until we have everyone's permission back. If you have lost your form then please just let us know and we can get another one to you.
- If your child goes home after the morning session and comes in for an afternoon session, then please can you make sure that you arrive on time, 11:30 for the end of the morning and 12:30 for the start of the afternoon. A member of staff has to open the gate and this takes us away from the children if people are late.
- Next half term, the weather will be getting colder. We will continue to play outside so please can you ensure that your child comes in with a warm coat hat, gloves and a scarf. If you are able to send in a spare pair of all of these that can stay at Nursery all the time then that would be perfect, save having to worry about bringing them in and out of Nursery every day. Also, if you have a pair of wellies that can be sent in then this means we can go outside exploring the ground, even when it's wet and cold.
- With regards to clothing – PLEASE can you label EVERYTHING your child may wear at Nursery. This includes uniform, shoes, coats, hats/gloves/scarves and any spares you may send in. We are frequently finding clothes which have no name in and unfortunately, when the children are all wearing matching uniforms, it can sometimes mean it's hard to reunite with its owner.
- Most of the children have bags which contain spare clothes which is great but unfortunately we still have some children without.
- We are also hoping to set up a nice Family Tree display in our Home Corner to make it feel like a home away from home for our children. If you would be lovely if you could send in a family photo or email if easier.



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- We have also attached a list of 'Bits and Bobs' we are looking for to help us improve our outdoor provision. If you know of anywhere that may have any of these pieces we can access for a very minimal fee or even free, then that would be helpful! Or if you yourselves can help source them then amazing!

The Nursery email address for those who may have missed it is nursery.sjf@romeromac.com – this address is checked daily.

We have also attached some photos below of some of the things we have been up to in Nursery this last few weeks – we hope you enjoy looking at them and wait to have lots more fun after half term! We hope you all have a lovely week with your families and stay safe.



Miss N Mobbs
Nursery Manager



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Construction & Small World

- Crates
- Large reels
- Wood of different shapes and sizes (logs, blocks, off cuts, planks)
- Bricks, stones, pebbles, gravel
- Rope
- Material (tarpaulin, netting)
- Tyres
- Tubes (plastic, foam, cardboard, drainpipe)
- Carpet
- Real tools and toolboxes (hammers, mallets etc)
- Hard hats
- Tape measures
- Spirit levels
- Wheelbarrows
- Natural materials (shells, sticks, stones, pebbles, gravel, straw, sawdust, compost)
- Lawn edging (wooden and plastic)

Investigation: Mud Kitchen

- Different sized plant pots and saucers
- Cake cases and tins (metal or silicone)
- Baskets
- Baking trays and pans
- Plastic pots
- Ice-cream scoops
- Jelly moulds
- Sieves/colanders
- Watering cans, jugs, teapots
- Cooking utensils
- Bowls
- Herbs, flowers
- Chopping boards
- Tables and chairs



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Maths and Writing

- Scales
- Thermometers
- Trellis
- Pots and containers
- Blackboards/whiteboards
- Wallpaper
- Washing up brushes
- Squeezy and spray bottles
- Large paintbrushes/rollers
- Perspex/mirrors
- Examples of outside writing (road signs, signposts, adverts, posters)

Digging and Gardening

- Rakes
- Spades
- Forks
- Trowels
- Watering cans
- Wheelbarrows
- Rocks
- Binoculars

Wheeled equipment

- Prams
- Scooters
- Bikes (tricycles, balance)
- Wheelbarrows
- Ride ons