

Nursery Newsletter 16 - 10th January 2020

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! It has been great to see all everyone back at nursery and we have also had the pleasure of welcoming some new children too! A very big Little Harriers 'Hello' to Julius, Dennis, Noel, Robyn and Reggie 😊 We are sure you will have a wonderful time getting to know your fellow Harriers and our fabulous new school and nursery. 2020 promises to be a very exciting year for us all!

We are also very pleased to welcome Miss Imran to nursery. She has been working with Miss Coxon in Year 1 for the last few months but for now will be joining us as our provision grows.

Just a quick reminder for all regarding clothing. It is great to see all of the children looking so smart in our uniform and we would hate anything to get mislaid, so could you please ensure all items are labelled clearly with your child's name. At this time of the year, could you also ensure that your child has appropriate outdoor wear including coat, hat and gloves as we will be enjoying outdoor play everyday- whatever the weather! Finally, could you please provide a named change of clothing in their bag in case of toileting/wet play accidents. Thank you.

One more reminder to all to please notify the main school office of any absences or changes of circumstance regarding your child. It is vital to ensure the continuation of the relevant early years funding that any absences are accounted for to ensure that everyone is able to access the provision on offer.

Now to our learning! This half term, we are going to be looking at the book 'Each peach pear plum', by Janet and Allan Ahlberg as our Talk for Writing text. We are going to have lots of fun exploring traditional tales and rhymes and will enjoy lots of fabulous activities based around these texts. Our Cornerstones topic is 'Do dragons exist?' As you can imagine, this is going to open the door to some very exciting adventures as we explore dragons, castles and much more!

Birdie is back! Our nursery mascot, Birdie the Hen Harrier had a wonderful time with Elvis the Elf on their trip to the North Pole. Elvis has decided to stay on with Santa for now (he does only have 351 days left to get everything ready at the time of writing this newsletter) but Birdie is back on his perch in nursery and looking out for the child that best displays our Harrier values. This half term, we have two values to think about- Honesty and Responsibility. The children had a little discussion with Mrs Blackshaw about what these values might look like to us in nursery so we are hopefully ready to impress Birdie as we demonstrate them in our play and learning. Birdie will choose his first home to visit next week!

It was lovely to see some of your updates on Tapestry about Christmas and New Year at home. Thank you so much for taking the time to add them on. It really allows us to talk with the children about their lives outside of nursery and the people that mean so much to them that we might not always get to see. Please do keep adding any contributions to Tapestry that you or your child/ren want to share. They are a really important addition to their Learning Journey. New children will receive a log in for the app as soon as we get your consent forms back to be processed.

Finally, this is traditionally the time of year for a clear out! Should you find that you have any toys, books or dressing up clothes that you no longer need at home, but you feel are in good

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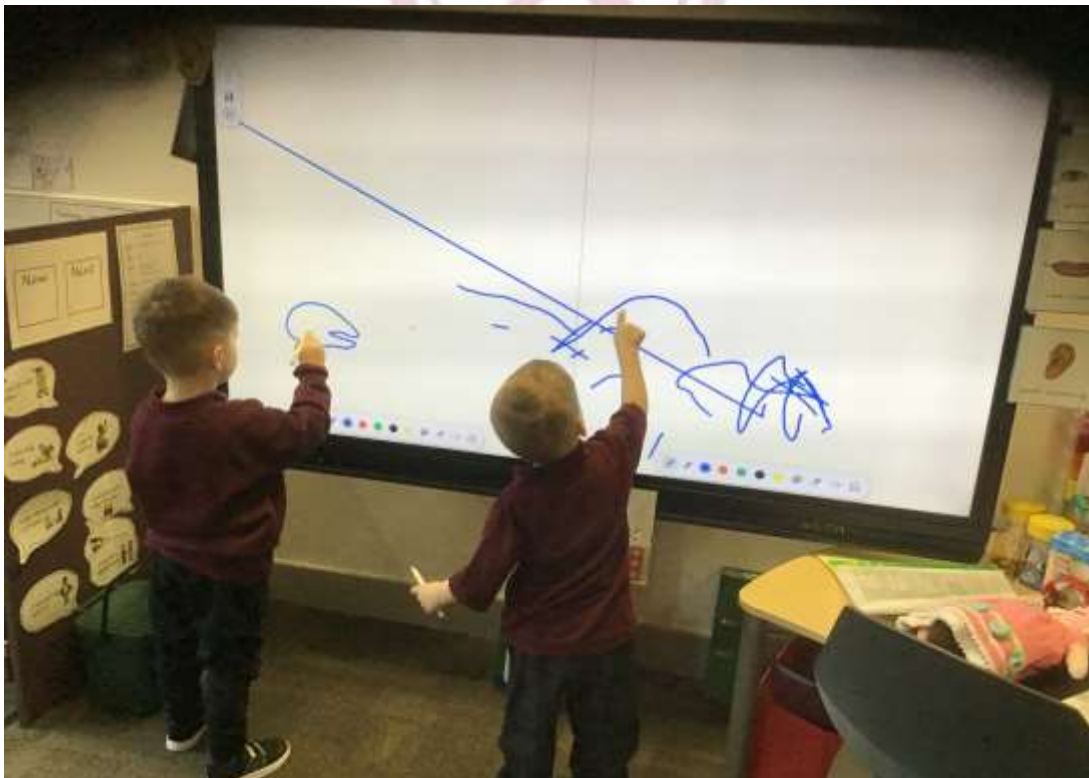
enough condition to be relomed, please do think of nursery if you would be so kind. We are particularly on the look out for dinosaurs, dressing up clothes and dolls! Thank you for thinking of us. 😊

We are really looking forward to the coming year, continuing to work with our existing children and getting to know our new children and families. Lots of fun times ahead!

Wishing you a great weekend,

Mrs Blackshaw and Mrs Buckley 😊

Home learning- Could your child please share their favourite book/story on Tapestry? A picture would be fabulous but if they are keen to do a little retelling, please feel free to film it and post it on the app!



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