



## LITTLE CHALFONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Welcome to back to Nursery and a Happy New Year to everyone!

We hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday and that the children are all looking forward to the start of a new term. Thank you so much for the cards and gifts that we received from you at Christmas, they were very much appreciated.

### **What will I be learning?**

This term our focus topics are:

- Winter
- Chinese New Year
- Space
- On the Farm
- Spring

We will continue to observe and assess the children throughout the school week to monitor their progress. Our formative assessments of the children consist of observations conducted across the curriculum as the children interact with adult-focused and play activities. This information helps us to identify individual strengths, areas for development and to monitor each child's progress. In order for us to gain a holistic view of your child's development it is extremely valuable to understand their achievements outside of school. With this in mind it would be really helpful to occasionally send in some completed 'Wow Stars' sharing some of these special moments. A blank 'Wow Star' sheet for you to use is attached with this letter.

### **Skills to be developed in Nursery this Term**

Below is a list of skills that we would like to continue to work towards; we would appreciate your help in encouraging your child to reach these goals.

- Put on their own coats and do up their zips and buttons – most children can do this now but if you know your child still needs support with this, please keep practising at home
- Take off and put on their jumpers, shoes and wellington boots
- Recognise their name and be able to independently self-register. Over the course of the next term we will be removing the photo from the name card to further reinforce name recognition.

- Write their name using recognisable letters in the correct sequence
- Put their book bag and water bottle away independently
- Remember to flush the toilet and wash hands afterwards
- Develop speaking and listening skills through 'show and tell', whole group and small group discussion
- Continue to develop good manners, respect and kindness for others

### **A few reminders:**

#### **Sickness**

- In the event of vomiting and/or diarrhoea your child should remain at home for 48 hours from the time of the last episode
- For general illnesses children should stay at home until symptoms have subsided
- If your child needs Calpol before coming to Nursery, then they are most likely not well enough to attend.

#### **Hygiene**

The children will continue to be encouraged not to touch their mouth, eyes and nose and refrain from putting toys/resources in their mouth. They will need to use a tissue or elbow to cough or sneeze and remember to put their tissue in the bin immediately after use. We will provide frequent gentle reminders and would appreciate your support by reinforcing this at home.

#### **Going Home**

If your child is being picked up by someone other than one of their main carers, please could you inform one of the Nursery team or the office. This also applies if your child is going home with another child in the class.

#### **Labelling clothes**



Please could you check that **ALL** items of clothing and equipment are named including shoes, hats, gloves, lunch boxes and, in particular, water bottles. The names wear/wash off over the course of the term and we would like to ensure that all clothes are returned to their rightful owner if they get left outside or around the classroom.



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### **Outdoor Clothing**

If you have taken your child's boots home for the holiday, please could you bring them back to school as soon as possible.



Now that the weather is getting colder, all children will require a coat in school every day.

### **Gloves**

If your child wears gloves to Nursery, please could you encourage them to get into the habit of putting one glove into each coat pocket and ensuring that they are well pushed down. This saves an awful lot of time searching for missing gloves before we go out to play.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask one of the team.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy Spring term!

Mrs Abadee, Mrs Botwright, Mrs Ward, Mrs Blunden and Miss Malton