



Nursery Autumn 1 Overview

This half term is such an important time in your child's journey through Nursery.

This half term we will be developing your child's:

- Personal, social and emotional skills - in particular turning taking, sharing and building new relationships
- Communication and language skills—in particular talking in sentences and initiating conversations with new people (adults and children)
- Independence—we ask children to hang up their own coats and bags up, put on and take off their own coats and to tidy up when they have finished with the resources

Please feel free to come and speak to Miss Benson or Mrs Lovell if you have any concerns or questions

Nursery times

Start time: 8:40-8:50am

Finish time: 11:40am

Please ensure children arrive at Nursery on time and are collected on time. As Nursery is only part-time it is important for children to attend everyday.

The Pursuit of Greatness has begun. These are **our school values**. The children will regularly ask questions to further their understanding of these.

Respect Enquire Persevere

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 25th October—Children break up for half term.

Friday 26th October and Monday 5th November-Teacher training days.

Tuesday 6th November 2018- Children return to school.

Our Environment

We have a workshop style environment both indoors and outside. We do not 'set out' activities for the children, but rather support the children to choose their own interests. The children are supported to select what they want to do (based on their learning and development needs) in each area. The resources are accessible to the children and are open-ended and high quality. This gives children the opportunity to select resources to support their chosen activity.

Donations

We are always looking for donations to add to our environments, in particular we are looking for items for our outdoor area. Items such as: milk crates, bread baskets, home delivery shopping baskets, tarpaulin, pipes and guttering, wood off cuts/large branches, rope and ribbon, old pots and pans, bicycle wheels, gardening equipment/wheelbarrows, painting rollers/brushes of different sizes, washing up bowls, buckets, old car seats.

Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Stories

We will have a story everyday at school and it's very important to have a story everyday at home too.

- We will be reading the same stories more than once so that we can recite them
- We will learn Nursery rhymes to develop our awareness of sound, rhythm and rhyme

After half term, we will begin sending reading books and nursery rhymes home for you to share with your child.

Wellies

We love to learn outdoors, whatever the weather! To ensure that the children can learn outdoors, please send in a **named pair of wellies** that can be kept at school.



Clothing

All nursery children need to have a labelled bag on their peg containing a spare change of clothing (top, trousers, socks, pants, shoes). This helps support staff if any toilet or messy play accidents happen.



We have launched the Tapestry app with all Nursery and Reception families.

On the week beginning 15th October, we will begin to send our observations of your child through Tapestry. Please check the app as much as possible—don't forget to like or post a comment.

Please send in your observations of your child. We really value your contributions as your observations add to our knowledge of your child and we use them for their end of year Nursery profile. The children love to share their observations from home with their peers in class.

How to comment on an observation made by the school:

1. Log in to Tapestry.
2. When you have logged in, click on the title of the observation you wish to view/comment on.



3. At the bottom of the screen you will find a reply box. Simply click in the box and type your reply. Click 'add reply' to save.

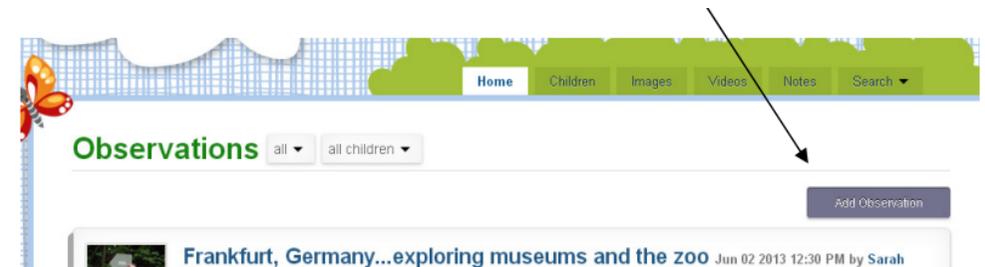
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Add Reply

How to add an observation from home:

1. Log in to tapestry.
2. In the home screen, click on Add Observation



3. Select your child's name from the dropdown box. Give the observation a title and write in your notes.

Child

Title

Created

Notes

4. To upload a picture or video, click Add files, then click upload media.
5. Finally, click 'save' to complete your observation and add it to your child's online journal.