

**Autumn Edition**

**September 2022**

**Dear Families,**

**On behalf of The Nursery Team at Castilion Primary School we are happy to welcome you to the 2022 – 2023 school year. We hope you have had a wonderful and restful summer! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve the highest potential. As a learning community, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. There are lots of exciting opportunities and changes for our children this year, our plan is to aim high and work closely with you to achieve the best possible outcomes.**

**The Nursery Team**

## Calendar dates:

**Parent/Teacher  
Consultation Meetings:  
Week beginning 14.11.22**

**October Half Term  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October  
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

**School starts for children  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

**End of Term  
Friday 16th December**



## Subject Coverage

### **Communication and Language:**

We will be developing the children's conversation and we will be listening to simple stories and developing their understanding of what is happening with the help of the pictures. We will learn to follow simple instructions.

### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development:**

We will be developing the children's self assurance and independence as they settle into nursery. We will be encouraging the children to establish friendships. We will be developing the children's independence in using the toilet facilities.

### **Physical Development:**

We will be helping to develop the children's manipulation and control and we will be exploring different materials and tools.

### **Literacy:**

We will be singing topic related songs and we will be encouraging the children to join in. We will listen to stories and will encourage the children to respond to the pictures or words. We will encourage the children to make marks to represent their name.

### **Mathematics:**

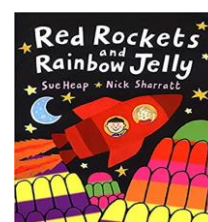
We will count in everyday contexts and we will be comparing amounts developing the use of language such as 'lots', 'more' and 'same'. We will start to compare sizes and develop language to describe size. We will start to develop the children's awareness of patterns.

### **Understanding of the world:**

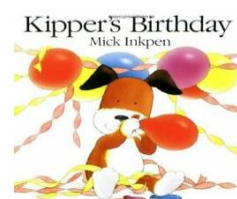
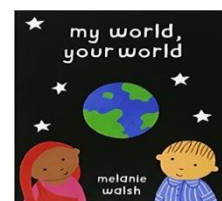
We will encourage the children to make connections between the features of their family and other families and to notice the differences between people. We will also explore different types of materials and natural objects.

### **Expressive Arts and Design:**

We will provide opportunities for the children to express their ideas and feelings through making marks and to make marks intentionally. We will use paint and a variety of materials and encourage the children to use their imagination. We will encourage the children to sing and dance!



**Please try to share  
these texts with your  
child to support their  
learning this term.**



## Home and school partnership

We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that they:

- Attend school daily and arrive on time at 8.40am, ready for the day's learning experience.
- Share a book daily with you to develop a love for reading and to improve fluency and early reading skills.
- Share their school experiences with you so that you are aware of their school life

## Staff in Nursery:



**Miss Burge**



**Mrs Lovatt**



**Mrs Baker**

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

*Do encourage your child to come to school every day unless they are really ill.  
Remember frequent absences can seriously hinder your child's education. Arriving in school on time is also vital, as nursery starts at 8.40am prompt!! Please also collect your child promptly at 11.40am.*

#### **ClassDojo**



Please remember to download the ClassDojo app as we use this as our main messaging platform to inform you what we are doing in class.

#### **School Uniform – (non-compulsory for nursery)**

It is our belief that school uniform is an important aspect of the School's ethos as it gives the children a sense of identity and a sense of belonging.

We aim for the highest standards in all aspects of school life. I am sure you will agree that wearing the correct uniform gives clear and important messages to both the children and the local community regarding how we value our school.

**(School uniform is not compulsory in nursery. If your child does not wear school uniform please ensure that they are wearing practical clothes which promote independence for when they use the toilet facilities.)**

#### **Belongings**

***Please make sure that your child's belongings (uniform, coats, water bottles) are clearly marked with their name, and are brought to school every day.***

***Please remember to bring in spare clothes for your child in case of accidents and to replenish them if they have been used.***

***We politely ask you not bring toys or food to nursery please.***

#### **Nut Free School**

As we have several children in school who suffer from a severe nut allergy we have made the decision to continue forwards as a 'Nut-Free School' If your child has a nut allergy could you please inform our Senior Administrator Ms N Walford via the school office and their teacher as soon as possible. Although we are now striving to be a nut-free school, it will be impossible to provide an absolute guarantee that no nuts will be brought onto the premises.



*Our topic this half term is **Marvellous Me**. Each week we will have a theme and a Key Text which we will inform you of via ClassDojo. Our activities in nursery will be based on the theme.*

**Don't forget to give your child a bottle of water to bring to school every.**

*Thank you for your support.*