# Autumn 2020 – Termly Topic Update



## September 2020

We would like to say a big 'welcome!' to all of our new children that are starting with us in Oak Room this September, and a big 'welcome back!' to our children who are returning after the summer break or from earlier in the year. We are so excited to have you all in Oak Room and are loving welcoming you through the door.

We are really excited about our first topic this term... 'The Wheels on the Bus'. Through play, the children will be learning about different types of transport, as well as road safety. Throughout the Autumn Term we will also go on to look at other topics, including 'All About Me', 'Autumn' and 'The Teddy Bears' Picnic'. We will be reading stories and singing songs each week to support our learning of each topic.

## **The Curiosity Approach**

At Evergreen we aim to use natural resources and authentic loose parts within our learning environments. This approach focuses on children interacting with natural objects. It encourages them to use their imagination and to use resources to learn in their own way, rather than using plastic resources with only one purpose. We use natural items such as: pinecones, wood slices, conkers, pebbles, and much more in our classroom provision activities.

At snack time we provide milk, water, fresh fruit and toast. Children are also allowed to bring in one healthy snack in a small, named pot.

Please cut grapes in half to avoid choking. Also, please do not bring in any food items containing nuts, including Nutella products.

Please provide your child with a named water bottle which they will be able to access at any time.

#### **Our Rainbow Values**

At the Evergreen Nursery, we have our own new set of Rainbow Values that we use to encourage children to reach their full potential, these are:

#### Resiliant

Adventurous

**Imaginative** 

**New Experiences** 

Brave

Observant

Wonder



## Reminders

We kindly ask that you provide your child with:

- •Named **wellies** and **slippers** to keep at Nursery.
- •A **raincoat** and **sunhat** as we go outside in all weathers.
- A bag with a **change of clothes** in.



#### **Photo Books**

From previous experience, we have found that children love having family photos in the classroom to share with their peers. It is also a huge comfort for children who might be feeling a little homesick. It would be great if you could provide a small book with a few family photos in that your child can have free access to at Nursery.

#### **Rainbow Challenges**

Based on our new Rainbow Values, here are our Rainbow Challenges for you to try at home this term:

**Resilient** – Practice putting your coat on by yourself.

**Observant** – Go on a walk and see if you can spot some signs of Autumn.

Brave – Try a new food to see if you like it.

Feel free to share these soon through your new Showbie classroom!

## **Nursery Staff**

Miss Ogg Oak Room Teacher

Miss Reynolds Cover Supervisor - PPA Cover

Mrs Harden
Mrs Beadle-Hood
Mrs Edison
Miss Lockwood
Miss Hawkins
Early Years Practitioners

## **Autumn Term Key Dates**

### **Half Term**

Week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2020. (Oak room is closed.)

End of Term
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

As we start a new school term, we are keen to share dates for the year ahead. We aim to be as creative as possible to ensure that we share your child's learning experiences with you in a safe way.

Initially, instead of cancelling dates, we will be choosing to inform you of upcoming dates and details as soon as we can confirm more.