

Autumn Term 1 Newsletter 2023



Sharing, Caring and Learning Together

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all of you and a special greeting to all our new friends who have joined this term. I would like to thank you for supporting your children's settling in and working patiently in order to make this as successful as possible for the children, giving them the best start.

After the half term we will be inviting parents into nursery to participate in our Active Movements initiative to encourage Walking to School, ring games and lot's more - look out for the emails! In addition, I would like to remind you to park in the Centre car park for drop off and pick up. Please do not block the residents drive ways or park unlawfully.

Mrs Lateef Headteacher



Primary School Applications

If your child is due to turn four before 31st August 2024, then you need to start considering your primary school choices now. You can apply for your school place online via Slough school admissions.

Applications can be made now and anytime up until 15th January 2024. After half term, we will be holding a school's admissions meeting on 8th November to offer you help. We will send you some further information regarding this after half term.

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Community, Nurture, Empowerment & Adventure

1st - 31st October 2023

The month celebrates and recognises the contributions that black people have made to the UK over many generations.





As part of recognising black history month, the children have tasted exotic fruit and have had the opportunity to dress up in traditional clothing in the home corner. We have also been reading some lovely stories about family and friendship. We look forward to continuing to celebrate black culture and history throughout the year.

Our school values are at the heart of everything that we do and it is a great pleasure to see this daily. A big thank you for the generous donations for our Harvest collection for Slough Foodbank and giving much needed help to our local community. The collection team were amazed at the number of bags of donations.

CORE STORIES



<u>Dear Zoo</u> Over the last couple of weeks, children have been hearing and learning about the story 'Dear Zoo' and we have some story maps and a typed version of the story you can have to take home. This makes it easy to practice retelling the story with your child. It has lots of simple repeated phrases making it ideal for children to join in with.



<u>The Gingerbread Man</u> After half term, the children will be hearing and learning about the 'The Gingerbread Man' story. This too has lots of simple repeated phrases making it ideal for children to join in with.



<u>Story Bags</u>: We are really pleased to be able to provide story bags for you to share with your child. The story bags include a game and activity focused on a particular book. There is a £5 voluntary contribution per term, this helps towards covering the cost of replacement, damage and purchasing new items. Thank you to the parents who have contributed already.

Story bags will be available again after half term on a Thursday at 8.30am, 9.30am and 12.30pm from Sunshine Room.



Coughs, Colds & Childhood Illnesses

Remember to inform the nursery daily if your child your child is going to be absent and provide the reason. You can do this by telephone: 01753 521975, email admin@slough-nursery.slough.sch.uk or text on 07786208889

Please keep your child home if he or she is unwell as the nursery environment is a very busy environment and is not the ideal place to be with a temperature or headache.

VOMITING AND DIARRHOEA

If your child has had vomiting and diarrhoea, it is important that they remain away from school at least 48 hours after their last bout of illness. This is a Health Protection Agency requirement. It helps stop the passing of symptoms to other children, parents/carers and staff.

What to bring to nursery everyday:?

2 pairs of socks

2 pairs of knickers/underpants or nappies

2 jumpers

2 long sleeved t-shirts

2 jogger bottoms

Please write your child's name in permanent marker in all of their belongings.

REMINDER: If your child is wearing nappies, please provide your own nappies, wet wipes and nappy bags.

Key dates: Half term 23rdth October - 27th October 2023 - Nursery closed

Children return Monday 30th October

Diwali party for the children - Thursday 16th November

School admission meeting: 8th November - 9am & 12.45pm

Christmas holidays - Monday 18th December 2023 - January 7th 2024.

All children return on January 8th 2024





Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in an early years setting can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.

Click here for more information.





Special Educational Needs Disabilities (SEND)

ROOTS

An informal social and learning group for SEND families and carers.

- Learn how to support your SEND child's needs
- Get to know other parents/carers of SEND children in an informal setting
 - Ask questions and get answers!
 - Refreshments served

Venue - Chalvey Grove Children's Centre, Chalvey Grove, Slough, SL1 2TE

Upcoming dates and themes are:

Dates:	Times:	Themes:
Tuesday 26th September	9.45am - 11.15am	Welcome back!
Tuesday 10th October	9.45am - 11.15am	School Applications & Exploring SEND school
Tuesday 14th November	9.45am - 11.15am	Exploring parenting online course
Tuesday 5th December	9.45am - 11.15am	Getting ready for Christmas

For more information or to book a place, please contact SEND Outreach Officers:

Kiran Mattu (07736 122146) or Anne George (07841 511689) or email EarlyHelp@sloughchildrenfirst.co.uk