

St. Lawrence Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We are really looking forward to welcoming all your children to our Nursery this year. At St. Lawrence School Nursery we follow the ethos of 'In The Moment Planning' as our basis for structuring our observation, planning and assessment cycle. We will be sharing more about this style of interpreting the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum shortly, but it is best described as a 'child-led' approach where adults act on the interests of children and find teachable moments during play opportunities. We find this leads to higher levels of involvement and better outcomes for children's progress across all aspects of the Curriculum.

Staff In Early Years

Nursery Teacher: Mrs Cook Nursery Officers: Miss Manning, Mrs Knight Support staff: Mrs Dean (Libby), Mrs Aitchison, Cerys Lunchtime supervisors: Miss Fernandes and Miss Davies Reception Teacher: Mrs Lowry Reception Teaching Assistant: Mrs Vautier

<u>P.E</u>

Once the children are fully settled, we will begin our fun P.E. sessions. These are on a Monday and a Thursday. I will take the Monday lesson and this term it will be gymnastics. On the Thursday Session, we have a Sports Bug instructor leading the session and this will focus on ball skills and spatial awareness games. It would be helpful if your child could wear tracksuit trousers or leggings (no tights or skirts) on that day. Also, please could all children have their long hair tied back for safety reasons. In the gymnastics lesson the children will be in bare feet, so they will have plenty of practise putting socks and shoes on and off over the course of the term!

Named items

Please could **everything** that comes into Nursery have your child's name on it please. Each child needs 2 sets of spare clothes and underwear, a lunch box, a snack box, a water bottle with water, some wellingtons, a mud suit, a sunhat and a waterproof coat. Thank you.

<u>Mix-up</u>

Three afternoons a week we mix up with the Reception Class and share both spaces for the afternoon. This will happen after Half Term. We have found this invaluable especially for our Nursery children. They become very confident within the Reception environment and build relationships with the Reception staff which helps when they transition there next September.

Keeping in touch

There are many ways in which I seek to keep in touch with you.

- The WhatsApp group will have regular updates from me.
- Photographs which are unnamed are put on the school facebook at regular intervals (unless you have asked for your child not to be on social media).
- Learning journeys in paper form will be starting soon. These will regularly be shared with Parents and more information will follow shortly.

If you have questions or concerns about any issues, please do not hesitate to come and see me or to email me <u>a.cook@stlawrence.sch.je</u> Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Cook