



HYDE HEATH PRE-SCHOOL **NEWSLETTER** **AUTUMN TERM 2 2021**



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EYFS Curriculum: There are seven areas within the Early Years Curriculum that cover all aspects of your child's learning. The three Prime Areas are essential and underpin the four Specific Areas. The children learn by 'playing and Exploring' (engagement) being an 'active learner' (motivation) and 'creating and thinking critically', these are the characteristics of learning. We differentiate activities by considering the age and stage of each child's development.

Could you help at Pre-School?

We are currently looking for new Committee Members. If you think this is something you may be interested in, please do speak with Mrs Rutherford who will be happy to provide you with more information.

No Pens Day

This year's No Pens Day will take place on **24th November**. Every year, thousands of schools and other education settings across the UK put down their pens and put spoken language in the spotlight. The children will be offered a range of activities to support language development. More information can be found on the ICAN website: [No Pens Day Wednesday - I CAN](http://www.ican.org.uk)

Lunchboxes

Please could all lunchboxes contain a piece of fruit and a vegetable. Please also consider how much food is in your child's lunchbox as we do see more food than is needed. All children are offered a snack in the morning.

World Nursery Rhyme Week WC 15th November

Nursery rhymes play an important role in early childhood development and education. As well as being fun they are excellent teaching tools. During the week we will be learning a rhyme a day and basing our activities on the chosen rhyme. Do you have a favourite rhyme that you would like to share with the children? Could you record you and your child singing a rhyme on Tapestry so that we can share with the children?

Children Starting Reception in September 2022

If your child is moving up to Reception in September 2022, you are now able to apply for their school place. You must make your application no later than **Midnight on 15 January 2022**. Please follow the link for more information how to apply.

[Guide to starting school or moving up to junior school | Buckinghamshire Council](#)

This half term's topics are:
Fireworks and Bonfire Night
Diwali
Nursery Rhyme Week
Shapes
Christmas and Nativity

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 16th November – Parents Consultation.
Friday 19th November - Children in Need
Wednesday 24th November – No Pens Day
Thursday 25th November – Open Morning 9.30am (school only)
Monday 6th December – Pre-School Christmas Performance
Friday 17th December – End of Term (12pm)

Christmas Performance – Monday 6th December at 9.30am Hyde Heath Village Hall

All children are welcome to attend Pre-School for the morning, even if your child does not usually attend on a Monday.

This year we are planning a performance where the children can dress up and sing Christmas songs. Parents are able to watch their child but, we are obliged to follow Bucks Early Years safety requirements and will be in contact if there are to be any changes to rules and regulations in regards to Covid. Places will be limited to one Parent/Carer per child and masks must be worn at all times. We also require volunteers to help before and during the performance– please speak to Claire if you're able to help.

Prime Areas

This term I will be learning to:
Physical Development
Make large movements to help me move my body.

Help me by:

Pretend to move like a dinosaur – using my arms and legs

Personal and Social

Enjoy carrying out small tasks
Build confidence in asking adults for help

Help me by:

Provide small tasks at home – setting a table, use a dustpan and brush etc.

Communication and Language

Listen to each other in a small group

Help me by:

Listen to environmental sounds – birds, cars, aeroplanes etc.

Specific Areas

Literacy

Enjoy rhymes.

Help me by

Sing rhymes and discuss words that rhyme.

Maths

Learning about shapes in the environment

Help me by

Look for different shapes around your home – can you talk about the shape of objects.

Understanding the world

Describe special times or events with family and friends.

Help me by

Looking at photos and talk about enjoyable times spent with others.

Expressive Arts and Design

Create sounds by using musical instruments

Help me by

Listening to a variety of musical instruments. Together - describe the sounds the instruments make (loud, quiet, soft etc).

Contacting Pre-School

If you have any questions regarding your child's fees, please do contact Helen Wallace our administrator at admin@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk
For session enquiries including adhoc sessions please speak to Claire Rutherford at manager@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk

The Pre-School team and I thank you for your continued support – Mrs Rutherford (Manager), Mrs Smith (Deputy Manager), Mrs Singh (Level 3 Practitioner), Mrs Chapman (Level 2 Practitioner) and Helen Wallace (Administrator)