



# HYDE HEATH PRE-SCHOOL NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 2019



Registered Charity Number 1020591  
Hyde Heath pre-school, Weedon Hill, Hyde Heath, Amersham, Bucks, HP6 5RW  
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EIFS 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.

### Parents – Voluntary Position

We are looking for parents/carers who would be available to come into Pre-School at short notice if current staff are unwell or as planned cover due to trips, staff absence or extra activities. You would **not** need to be early years qualified but will require a DBS check. Please could you let me know if this is something you could help us with in terms of cover?

### Suggested Termly Contribution

As a Charity run Pre-School, we rely heavily on funds to support the smooth running of the setting. We are asking for a suggested contribution of **£20** for the term, per child, helping us to pay towards healthy snacks, resources and consumables. If you could donate this term to support us with these costs, we would be extremely grateful. Money can be donated by methods of cash, cheque or BACS payment at the beginning of each term. Thank you for your support.

### This half term's topics are:

This is me and my community  
Woodland walks  
Healthy eating

Harvest and Autumn

### Dates for your diary:

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September** – Individual and Sibling Photos 9.00am  
**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** - Open Morning 9.30am (school and Pre-School)  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** - Harvest Songs and Stay and Play **9.15am – 10.00 am** in the Pre-School room.  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents Evening. From 3.15pm (To be confirmed)  
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November** – Open Morning 9.30am (school only)

### Packed Lunches

We do have children in Pre-School with nut allergies, therefore, to manage the risk of an allergic reaction we ask that you **do not** send your child into Pre-School with food items containing nuts. Please provide a healthy packed lunch with no chocolate bars. Please also provide a full bottle of water with your child's name written clearly.

### Clothing

Please provide your child with suitable **named** clothing adapted to the weather, this allows them to enjoy learning in our outdoor classroom. Please also provide spare clothing in case of wet accidents.

### Prime Areas

This term I will be learning to:

#### **Physical Development**

Look at differences and similarities of each other.

#### **Help me by:**

Talk about differences within the family – short/tall/hair colour etc

#### **Personal and Social**

Begin to wash my hands.

Share with my friends

#### **Help me by:**

Encourage hand washing at home.

Share toys at home or take turns during a game.

#### **Communication and Language**

Learn new words from stories and talk about the meaning.

#### **Help me by:**

Look at story books together.

### Wow Board

We would like you to record any moments where you have been extremely proud of your child, for example, your child has learnt to swim without arm bands or has managed to put on their own shoes all by themselves. There are paper stars next to our WOW board, you are very welcome to write a star for your child and place it on our board. We will talk about your child's amazing moments with the other children.

### HHPS Website and Facebook Page

You will find all our policies and Pre-School information on our web page, please take the time to read through them. [www.hydeheathpreschool.org.uk](http://www.hydeheathpreschool.org.uk) Our Facebook page is updated regularly with activities the children have enjoyed. If you would like to leave feedback on our Facebook page, please do, reviews are helpful to others who are looking for childcare.

### 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](mailto:admin@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk)  
For session enquiries including adhoc sessions please speak to Claire Rutherford at [manager@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk](mailto:manager@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk)

### Specific Areas

#### **Literacy**

Use paint, chalk, pens etc to make marks that mean something to me.

#### **Help me by**

Use water and a paintbrush to make marks outside.

#### **Maths**

Say some counting words randomly. Recite numbers in order.

#### **Help me by**

Counting members of your family. Sing songs that encourage counting (one, two, three, four, five once I caught a fish)

#### **Understanding the world**

Show curiosity about other people.

#### **Help me by**

Talk about where I live to help aid discussion with others.

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

Enjoy playing with small world models i.e. farm, dolls house.

#### **Help me by**

Role play with your child-pretend to go shopping.

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