



# HYDE HEATH PRE-SCHOOL NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 2020



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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.

### This is me- Home Learning

To support our topic, we thought it would be a good idea if children (along with parents/carers) could make a collage picture or book about themselves at home and bring it into Pre-School during the week commencing 21.9.2020. This could include photos of friends or family members, pets, places they like to visit or drawings of themselves- Anything!

### 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. WOW stars will be coming home and we have extra in Pre-School, 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.

### Suggested Termly Contribution

**As a Charity run Pre-School, the pandemic has really hit us. 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  
Space Week  
Owls  
Being Kind  
Harvest

### Dates for your diary:

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September** – Individual and Sibling Photos 9.00am  
**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – School Open Morning 9.30am  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents Evening. From 3.15pm (To be confirmed)  
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November** – School Open Morning 9.30am  
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October** – Close for Half Term (3pm)

### Amazon Wishlist

We have recently set up an Amazon wishlist which is updated on a regular basis. The resources and consumables you will find benefit the Pre-School and help resource the activities that we plan. We would be grateful for any donations made via the following link: [https://smile.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/ref\\_=wl\\_list\\_url\\_friends\\_message](https://smile.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/ref_=wl_list_url_friends_message)  
Thank you!

### First Aid

All staff in Pre-School have recently attended and passed paediatric first aid training.

### 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**

Wash my hands.

Being kind to my friends

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

Encourage hand washing.  
Reward kindness when it happens and ask your child to think of kind moments

#### **Communication and Language**

Learn new words from stories and talk about the meaning.

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

Look at story books together.

### 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.

### 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 or lunch club please speak to Claire Rutherford at [manager@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk](mailto:manager@hydeheathpreschool.org.uk)

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