



## Curriculum Information - Nursery

### Autumn 2- 4th November – 20th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have settled in well to their first half term of the year and it has been great getting to know them all. Now they are familiar with the nursery routine and have been making new friends, we now look forward to the exciting things this half term has to offer.

Please ensure children arrive promptly at 8.40. Morning only children will be dismissed at the playground gate at 12pm and children staying all day will be dismissed at 3.15 at the rainbow gate. Parents must wait on the left hand side of the gate. Please notify the office before the end of the school day if somebody different will be picking your child up.

<b>Communication and Language</b>	We will be retelling simple stories and joining in repeated refrain. We will be having regular circle times when we will be sharing our Christmas traditions and plans.
<b>Physical Development</b>	In PE we will be focussing on ball skills by using a range of different size balls and learning how to control them with our hands and feet.  We will have a focus on cutting out a variety of shapes and continue to practise holding scissors effectively. In busy fingers we will practise our fine motor skills by threading, using tweezers with control and colouring pictures and patterns.
<b>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</b>	This term we will be rehearsing our Christmas Nativity so the children will be learning to sing with actions and speak clearly in front of an audience.  They will be given lots of opportunities to develop their independence by putting on their own coats, wellies and shoes.

<b>Literacy</b>	<p>We will be creating story maps to help us retell our core texts across this term.</p> <p>During phonics we will start introducing a phoneme of the week and the children will take part in lots of blending games. Use the link for more information on what we will be covering this year in phonics.</p> <p><a href="#">For parents   Letters and Sounds</a></p>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<p>This term the children will be counting and representing numbers 1-5 with the use of subitizing, counting frames and pictorial representations.</p> <p>We will also consolidate patterns and sorting from last term.</p>
<b>RE</b>	<p>In RE we will be looking closely at advent and the birth of Jesus. We will be thinking about why Jesus came to earth and how we can show love and kindness to others at this time of year.</p>
<b>Understanding of the world</b>	<p>We will learn about the celebration of Diwali, bonfire night and remembrance day. In Forest School we will make conker rockets, obstacle courses and look for signs of winter.</p>
<b>Expressive Arts and Design</b>	<p>We will use a range of resources to collage poppies for remembrance day. We will be using our cutting skills to create henna hands and will decorate them using glitter.</p>

Key information:

P.E. and outdoor learning will be on **Wednesdays** so please ensure they come to school wearing their PE kits.

Our library visit will be on a **Thursday** where the children can change their library books if they have returned their previous book.

Please ensure your child brings a jumper or cardigan and that they have a suitable coat as the weather will start to get colder as the term goes on. They must also have a **named** change of clothes to keep on their peg.

Please provide a pair of **named** wellingtons to keep at school for outdoor learning.

Make sure your child does not wear jewellery to school and that any earrings are simple studs.

Please also ensure your child brings to school a **named** water bottle each day and a hat if it is hot.

**PLEASE NAME ALL ITEMS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL.** Even after two days we are finding many coats, water bottles and lunch boxes with no names.

**Continue to check the school newsletter, website and Facebook page for important dates and information.**

Should you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss please email [nursery@holyfamily.hert.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@holyfamily.hert.sch.uk) or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your support

Miss Tinsley and Mrs Lovell

Nursery Teachers