

# ROSEMOUNT NURSERY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2018

### Parent/Teacher Meetings

Parents will be given the opportunity to meet with class teachers during October to discuss their child's progress. (see attached sheet) If you have any concerns before this, a meeting can be arranged sooner. Please take some time to complete the questionnaires attached as the nursery will receive funding for resources to lend to parents to support learning at home. Please complete our settling in questionnaire as well. Again, this provides us with important information about your child so please take time to fill it in.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER - Monies

Could we just remind you that all money given into the nursery should be in the money bag or in an envelope with your child's name on it. Please keep and reuse it.

- Snack money - £1.50 per week
- Dinner money - £12.50 per week

Please ensure that you give the correct amount as we don't like putting money into the children's tray. Please adjust the money accordingly if your child is absent or there is a school closure. If your child is taking lunch, they are encouraged to be as independent as possible so at home encourage them to practise opening packets, putting in straws etc.

### Morning Time

Could all parents please ensure that their child is in the nursery by 9.10am so that classes are not disturbed. We would like to thank parents for co-operating with staff and saying good-bye to their children at the classroom door instead of unsettling other children by entering the classrooms.

### Change of Clothes- reminder

Please ensure that your child has a spare change of clothes left in school in case of an accident. Do encourage your child to inform a member of staff if they have an accident so they can be changed. Could we ask all parents to send in a coat everyday so that we can continue outdoor play in the bad weather and for their time in the garden. Children will be gardening and painting outside so please do not send children into school with good coats.

### Our theme for this month is Autumn and Halloween.

Your child will be learning about the season autumn; changes in their environment, weather and effects on animals etc. Please encourage your child to collect leaves, acorns and discuss autumn with them, the changes in the colours of leaves etc. Any natural materials collected can be brought into school for creative work or our autumn display. Our colours for this month are autumnal colours; red, orange, yellow, brown and black. We will also be learning about the festival of Halloween.

**Children will be having a Halloween party on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct'18.**

All children can come to school dressed in sensible costumes (NO swords, guns etc. allowed).

**Birthdays:** We celebrate every child's birthday in the nursery with a birthday cake, so please do not go to the expense of sending in a cake.

### Halloween/Midterm Closures

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018 - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 inclusive**

Children will return to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018.

### Top tip for the month.

Nursery is a time when your child is becoming more and more independent. This is important for his/her social, emotional and physical development. It is easy to foster this at home by encouraging your child to be as independent as possible, eg getting dressed, putting on coats and shoes and pouring his/her own drinks. These routines are an integral part of the nursery curriculum. By learning these self help skills your child will continue to grow in their own confidence and self esteem. Your children should all be independent in toileting. Please continue to reinforce this independence at home.

**Please reinforce at home;** the importance of washing hands **after** going to the toilet and **before** we eat. Please also reinforce the fact that we don't look under toilet doors while waiting to use the toilet and the importance of not putting too much toilet roll down the toilet.

### Snacktime in nursery;

We would be very grateful if any parents would be interested in helping with our snack routine 1 day a week, 2 parents each day. We would like to start this in November when the children are all well settled. Parents would be responsible for preparing snack and supervising as the children serve themselves. The children are all independent in this routine and need very little support. If you can spare an hour and a half one day a week please let a member of staff know. THANK YOU