

### Messages:

In the Autumn term we will focus on helping children to develop their communication, social and physical development skills. We will work with the children in small groups and individually to support and extend their play. Our topic will be 'All about me – Me and my world!' This theme will also follow children's current interests as well as linking in with events around school. We will also be settling in new children and supporting them in the daily routines and how to explore the indoor and outdoor provision. This fits perfectly with children's transition into the Nursery and the forging of new friendships. It supports children in getting to know each other, including the differences that make them special. Children will talk about their families, the things that they do together, and how this might be different from family to family. In learning the routines of the Nursery, including why rules are important to keep them safe, children will think about their feelings, needs, likes/dislikes, as well as the things that they are good at. This will help to build a bigger picture of the wonderful, rich community that we have at Duncombe. Owing to the time of year, the themes of Autumn/Harvest will be introduced, with children encouraged to reflect on and be grateful for the things that they have.

Thank you parents for all your support so far. It is lovely getting to know you all.

### Topic:

In topic this week, we will be looking at the signs of autumn. The children will become nature detectives and look for, and collect, signs of autumn around our school. They will have the opportunity to use their collections of autumn items to create artwork in the art room with an adult.

We will continue to share our special boxes with our classmates during our daily carpet sessions.

### Settling in week:

The children have done very well settling after such a long time away.

**Last week we enjoyed staying at Nursery without our grown-ups for the first time! We loved exploring all the areas in Nursery, making new friends and even remembering some of the Nursery routines all by ourselves! Well done, my little stars! I am so proud of all**

### Homework:

Complete the identity boxes.

How to help at home

- ⇒ Read stories together.
- ⇒ Visit the local library.
- ⇒ Count cars/ trees/ when out and about.
- ⇒ Get creative! Collage with materials gathered from nature (leaves and twigs) or found around the home. (Boxes/yogurt pots etc.).

### Home Learning Challenge:

Can you please teach your child to put on their coat by themselves and to take it off.

### Maths:

In maths this week, we will be focusing on counting to 5. The children will sing songs and count sets of objects.