

# KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2023



### Nursery

September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

What a fantastic start we have had at Kirton Nursery School! The children have enjoyed settling into school life and telling us all about their summer holidays. It has been lovely to see friendships form and routines becoming established. We are very much looking forward to continuing to get to know the children and begin our learning journey together.

#### Our Theme

This term, our theme is 'All About Me'. Throughout the term, we will be learning all about our families, our bodies, keeping healthy, our feelings and about the people who help us (e.g. police officers, doctors etc). This gives the children the chance to explore themselves and to become more familiar about what happens in their day-to-day life. To start our topic, we will be learning about our families and people who are special to us. Using the book 'The Invisible String' as our core text, we will be learning that we are always connected to the special people in our lives wherever we are and whatever we are doing.

Further into the term, we will be focusing on our bodies and how we are all different, as well as sharing what we would like to do when we are older. Using core texts such as 'It's Okay to Be Different' and 'What Will I Be?', we will have opportunities to discuss these areas as well as take part in lots of engaging activities linked to them. The children will also get to investigate their bodies, how they move and how they use them.

To finish our term, we will be focusing on oral health. Children will have the opportunity to talk about their own experiences of looking after their teeth as well as visit our dentist role play surgery. We have a very exciting term ahead!



#### Reminders

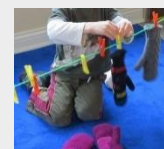
Please remember that all children require a pair of wellington boots as we take part in a wide range of outdoor activities in all weather conditions. Please write your child's name in the boots so they don't get lost at nursery. You are welcome to leave the boots at nursery.

Please ensure your child is equipped for the weather conditions and that all their clothes and belongings are named.

To keep your child safe, please ensure that your child does not wear jewellery for school. Small earring studs are an exception.

#### HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

*Fine motor skills:* Using clothes pegs, encourage your child to help hang washing on a line.



*Language and communication:* Read and act out your child's favourite story. You may wish to use costumes and props when doing this.

*Maths:* Encourage your child to help set the table. How many plates do we need? Help your child to count out each of the items as they do this.

#### Important Dates

04.09.23 – First day of Term 1  
08.09.23 – 'Bug Busting' Day  
18.09.23 – Photographers in school  
20.10.23 – Last day of Term 1  
06.11.23 – First day of Term 2

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Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Brine

Nursery Teacher

Here are some more fine motor activities you may wish to explore with your child at home.

Use your fingers to pick off the tape to rescue the toys!



Use your fingers to peel an orange.



Use your fingers to place small objects from around your house to make patterns or pictures.



Use your fingers to poke straws or sticks through the holes in a colander or similar object around your house.



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#### Understanding the World activity

Spend time with your child looking at old and current family photos. Explore images of when your child was younger and discuss different family members and relations. Below are some key questions you may wish to ask your child.

Who is in your family?

What is happening in this photo?

Can you remember something special you have done together as a family?

How have you changed from when you were younger?

Where do your family live? (This might be in various places over the UK or even world.)

Where do you live?

Does your family have any special traditions? e.g. festivals, Sunday dinner, holidays.

**YOU ARE WELCOME TO BRING A FAMILY PHOTO IN TO NURSERY.**

We would love to frame and display these in our nursery home corner. Therefore, please ensure this is a photo you are happy for us to keep and use within the nursery.



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#### Creative activity:

Who lives in your home? Draw, paint, stick items etc, to represent the different people who live in your home.

