## A Learning Letter from Nurse

### Welcome to the Nursery

A very warm welcome to our children and families, both old and new.

Thank you for your support so far this term, we think the children have settled in brilliantly and are already learning the routines and making new friends. We hope that you feel comfortable in the Nursery and know that you can talk to any member of the Nursery team about your child.

As the term progresses, we will begin to start a project which will be based around the children's ideas and interests, so please let us know if your child is particularly curious about something at home or in the Nursery.

#### Project

During this first half term we will be playing alongside the children and encouraging them to explore all the different resources that are available both inside and out. In the Studio Laura-Jane will be using the loose theme of 'Autumn' and 'Apples' as a vehicle to teach the children new skills and techniques. We feel it is important to take time to allow children to familiarise the themselves with what is available so that they can really begin to explore their own ideas over the coming year.

#### Reading

The children have been very engaged during story time and sharing books is an essential part of developing communication and language skills. Through stories children can express their own thoughts and emotions, learn new exciting words and build the foundations for language development.

Over the next few weeks all of the children will be given their own book bag to take home and they are very welcome to choose a new book each time they are at Nursery.



'A book is a gift you can open again and again'.

Garrison Keillor

# How you can help

<u>At home:</u> Make sure that all of your children's belongings are named. Encourage them to put on their shoes and coat by themself. Establish a calm bedtime routine which allows for enough sleep.

Look out for: Autumn events such as Killerton Apple Weekend 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October

<u>Listen to:</u> All the exciting things they may have been doing.

<u>Visit:</u> Outdoor places like gardens, parks and woodlands to look for signs of autumn.



#### Your Child's Learning Journey...

The Nursery Team are already focused on documenting your child's experiences and using this to reflect on how best to meet their individual needs. This information is kept in a very special book which you are invited to look through with your child during our 'Learning Journey Share' weeks. This special book can be enriched with photos and post-its about their home experiences so please share with us any developments you notice at





Thank you to all of our older Nursery children for taking such care of our new friends. Can you spot any?

Signs of autumn.



Numbers on doors.



Any of your new friends from Nursery!

