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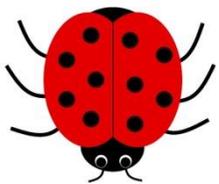
Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to all children and families to Ladybirds Class. We are looking forward to getting to know you and your children. Parents and Carers are welcome to come into the classrooms and settle their children from 8:45am.

If you have any questions about your child's learning or how they are settling in to school life please speak to any of the Early Years staff, or for a longer appointment, please speak to the office to arrange a convenient time. We are always happy to help.

Many thanks for your support.

Mr Cockburn, Miss Midgley



Ladybirds Class Autumn 1 2017

This half-term our topic is:

All about me



This half-term we will be focussing on
**Personal, Social and Emotional Development
And Communication and Language**

This will involve:

- Learning about similarities and differences in each other's families.
- Listening to one another in small groups.
- Retelling special family occasions.
- Learning to cooperate with other children and join in with group activities.
- Beginning to accept the needs of others, take turns and share.

Reading

We will share stories and foster a love of reading. We will practice phase one phonics, looking at environmental sounds and making sounds with our mouths.

Key Focus: To listen and join in with repeated refrains in story.

You can help by: listening for sounds you can hear at home, using vocabulary to describe the sounds (loud, quiet etc.).

Writing

We will be mark-making using a variety of materials and resources. We will paint pictures of ourselves and others.

Key Focus: To practice our fine motor skills through use of our gross motor skills.

You can help by: Encouraging all forms of mark-making e.g. Chalk outside, paint, water, and drawing.

Mathematics

We will be using number in play, matching numerals and quantities correctly to 3. We will be counting groups of objects and recognising the number we have counted to is the final total.

Key Focus: Number recognition, one to one correspondence.

You can help by: Talking to your children about numbers in the environment.

E.g. House numbers, car number plates and counting knives and forks needed for dinner.

Reminders:

- ☆ **Please be aware that we have a child with a severe nut allergy in EYFS. No nut or nut products on the school premises.**
- ☆ Please ensure that **all** of your child's belongings are labelled.
- ☆ Please provide your child with a spare set of clothes in their bag.
- ☆ Please ensure your child has a pair of black shoes, and a pair of wellies.

Important