

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer and are eager to see your children start a new chapter in Nursery. We are very much looking forward to getting to know them all over the coming weeks and to welcome back those that were with us last year.

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Outdoor PE is on a Thursday and indoor PE is on a Friday this half term. Please can children come to school wearing comfortable clothing and sensible shoes (trainers). Please ensure your child brings a coat/warm clothing appropriate for the weather.

Outdoor/Orchard Sessions

We like to be outdoors as much as possible and the children have the opportunity to access outdoor learning on a daily basis. With the weather being a little unpredictable at the moment, please could you ensure your child has a coat **every** day. All coats, hats and gloves should also be labelled with your child's name. Appropriate footwear is essential, so we kindly ask that you send a pair of

named wellies for your child that can stay in school. This applies to all children please, as we do not have any spare in Nursery. If your child was with us last year, you may need to check the size of their wellies and swap with a bigger size!

Homework

Each half term a homework challenge will be sent home, linked to the topic we are studying. You can choose which of these you would like to complete, and you can bring these into school, or share with us on Tapestry. You may choose 1 or 2 activities to complete.

Reading

After October half term, Nursery children will choose a library book from school, to share with you at home. We kindly ask that this is returned to school (along with the yellow reading record) on a **Tuesday**, so your child can choose a new book. Books will **not** be changed any other days of the week and new books will not be issued if they are not returned to school.

White Rose Maths

Nursery children are following the White Rose Maths scheme and we are focusing on making collections as well as looking at which collections have more or fewer items. We will also be practicing counting forwards and backwards with our daily sessions of singing counting songs.

Autumn Term Topic

Our topic this half term is 'All about me.' Once the children are settled in, we will begin to explore what they know about themselves e.g. age, physical features, families, homes, likes and dislikes. They will investigate what makes them similar or different to others and how that makes them special and unique. We will look at our families and friendship.

We will explore senses through a range of play activities including welly walks in the Orchard.

Children will learn how they can care for themselves, others and their environment. This will include how they can stay safe and how to manage their behaviours and feelings.

We will also explore autumn, observing seasonal changes and using natural found materials as tools for art activities.

Any other key information

Parental Partnership

At Wylam Nursery we recognise the importance of working in partnership with parents. The staff are always keen to hear about your child's activities and achievements outside of school, but also any concerns that you may have about your child. Please feel free to discuss the progress of your child with a member of staff at any time.

Tapestry/Facebook

All children in Nursery will have a Tapestry account. Please look out for a link in your email. Once you receive this, please click on the link to activate your child's account. We will use it to share your children's learning, exciting days and activities. Tapestry can also be used to show what the children have been

doing at home.

We always share the children's home news with their friends, so please send in photos! We really appreciate your support with this. Our staff work very hard, spending many hours uploading photos of your amazing children, so please check your child's account and our Facebook page!

Family photos

In the Nursery we have a wall dedicated to our families. Each child will have a photo frame with their own family photo. Please could you send in a photo. These can be emailed to the school office for us to print, or you can attach one to your child's Tapestry account and we can print it off for you.

School Timings

Please ensure your child is brought to school and collected at these times.

Reception 08.40-15.15

Nursery 08.55-15.00

Please inform the school office if you are going to be late to collect your child.

Your child will be taken to the school office once the Nursery door closes.

Kind regards,

Mrs Myers & Mrs Greenham