

Park Lane Prímary & Nursery School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are really pleased with how well the children have settled back to the nursery routine after the holiday. The nursery team would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our new children and their families. It is delighful to see how our older children have been busy helping to look after the new children. Our new children have been busy exploring the nursery, both inside and out in the garden.

We have an exciting half term planned and will share our activities on Seesaw for you to view.

At this time of year we look forward to taking part in the 'Big School's Birdwatch.' Time will be spent looking for birds and recording the different types we see. We will be busy with many activities including making bird food for the birds to eat. These activities will involve lots of teamwork by the children and staff.

The children are going to be 'Weather Wizards' and find out about our winter weather. All these activities contribute to a 'Wild Challenge' which is a scheme organised by the RSPB to promote children's involvement with nature.

Chinese New Year will also be celebrated and this year it is the year of the Dragon. Let's see what we can find out about Chinese New Year and dragons!

Alongside these activities we really like to 'nurture' the children's own ideas and interests. We find one idea leads to another and we encourage the children to share these ideas with each other.

We like to record some of these moments with you through the online learning journal, Seesaw. Our new children's Seesaw accounts have now been set up. If for any reason you are unable to access your child's journal please do let us know.

Also we would really like you to upload photos and messages about what you have been busy doing at home. A QR code is being sent home today to enable you to do this. The children love to show these photos to their nursery friends.

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The classrooms are well ventilated throughout the day, so please can you make sure your child has warm clothing with them. Even though it is colder we are continuing to be outside in our nursery garden. It is quite muddy and although the children wear their wellies, they do get muddy as well. Please can you make sure they have a change of clothes in their back packs as well as their wellies.

Please send a pair of mittens/gloves and a warm hat for your child to wear. It really helps if they wear these to nursery. Or put their gloves/mittens in their coat pockets ready to put on. This saves us so much time looking in their bags! Thank you.



Please can you make sure everything is named, especially water bottles, hats and mittens.

Each child has a keyworker and these will be sent out in the next week for our new children. Please do get in touch with us if you are unsure about anything or want to discuss something with us.

Thank you, The nursery team Ihughes@parklaneprimary.com