

## Curriculum Newsletter

### ATF1

What a summer! I hope you all enjoyed the sunny weather and had a lovely break. Welcome back to the Autumn Term in ATF1. Let's hope we get some nice, crisp autumn days!

I am so happy to be back teaching in ATF3. I am lucky enough to be supported by Mrs Nicola Eedy, Mrs Kate Thomas, Miss Megan Griffiths and Miss Courtney Collins. It is quite the shift in ATF3 this year, as we only have three of the pupils from last term still in the class! We have two pupils joining from ATF1, two joining from ATF2, and two new pupils to the school. A massive welcome to the new families!

This half term's topic is '**All About Me**'. We will be exploring our likes and dislikes, our families, friendships, emotions and what makes each of us unique. Through a range of practical, sensory and creative activities, pupils will be encouraged to share information about themselves, develop their communication skills and build positive relationships with their classmates. As we welcome several new pupils to the class, we will also be spending time getting to know one another, learning class routines and developing confidence within our new class community.

#### ***Here is some class information that will be useful for new and returning families:***

- We ask for a water bottle to be sent in and kept in school for the whole year. We will clean and fill it up throughout the day. You can also send in a bottle of squash if your child does not drink water. We will let you know when we need a new bottle.
- If you prefer, nappies, wipes and any intimate care resources can be sent in in bulk for us to keep in school. Each pupil will have their own drawer for these items.
- It is always useful to have spare clothes in school. We take part in many messy play activities, including water play. Again, you are welcome to send in some spare clothes for us to keep in school or, if you would prefer to send them in your child's bag, that is also fine.
- **Please could you ensure that all spare clothes, jumpers worn to school, bottles, coats and wellies have your child's name or initials on them.**
- Class Dojo is our method of communication with parents. You will be assigned to the ATF3 class and will also receive notifications from the whole-school stories to keep up with whole-school notifications, events and calendar dates. I will send a weekly message on Dojo to update you on your child's week. I will also share photos via Dojo.
- We kindly ask for £1 a week to cover the costs of our food-tasting sessions. All payments are to be made on ParentPay. Educational visits are also paid for through ParentPay. If you are new to the school, it may take a few weeks to get set up on ParentPay, so don't panic!

Our PE sessions will take place every Tuesday. I kindly ask that pupils come to school wearing appropriate clothing and trainers suitable for physical activity. If your child finds it challenging to come in clothes other than their school uniform, please feel free to send in a PE kit instead. We will support them in changing at school and help build their confidence with this routine.

Due to ongoing issues with our school minibus, our local community visits have been on hold. We hope to resume these this term but will be starting with some local area walks to help support the pupils with walking safely, transitioning to and from school, and recognising nature in our local area.

You are more than welcome to contact me via Class Dojo, by phoning the school, or through email:

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