



Bluebells Newsletter: Autumn 1

Dear Parents and Carers

A warm welcome to the Lawn family - we are looking forward to starting your child's journey here with us this term in Bluebells. We are also pleased to welcome many families back after the summer break. Here is a snapshot of what your children will be learning to do this term in Bluebells through the topic of 'All About Me!'.

Personal, Social and Emotional development

- Separate from main carer using a comfort object, familiar adults or routine
- Build relationships with adults and peers
- Explore the new environment with adult support
- Learn classroom routines and rules
- Explore feelings and emotions
- Take turns
- Begin to play alongside and with others

Communication and Language

- Settle into routines and listening to adults
- Learn new vocabulary linked to classroom routines
- Follow simple instructions
- Join in with songs and familiar rhymes
- Talk about themselves and their immediate families
- Use 3-4 words in a sentence
- Answer simple questions

Physical Development

- Develop gross motor skills outdoors
- Use alternate feet when climbing apparatus
- Develop fine motor activities (threading, playdough, tweezers)
- Hold mark-making tools with increasing control
- Make light marks and hold crayons using a fist grip or Palmar Supinate Grasp
- With support, use the toilet

Literacy

- Handle books carefully
- Begin to understand that print carries meaning
- Join in with repeated phrases
- Talk about familiar stories
- Recognise their name and familiar labels within the environment

Key Vocabulary

Build
Hide
Leap
Breathe
Surprised
Worried
Nervous
Big/Little
In/Out

Mathematics

- Show an understanding of 1:1 counting to 5
- Count beyond 5, saying number names in order
- Show an awareness of 2D shapes in the environment
- Select shapes appropriately when building
- Make comparisons between objects relating to size
- Sort and match objects
- Explore colours
- Compare size
- Count through songs and play

Key Dates

FOL Break the Rules Day: Thursday 24th September
World Mental Health Day: Friday 9th October
Parent Consultations: Monday 19th October
Individual and Sibling photos: Tuesday 20th October
End of Term: Tuesday 20th October
Inset Day: Wednesday 21st October

COMMUNICATIONS

Check both MCAS and Class Dojo regularly for updates from the school.

INDEPENDENCE

Ensure your child can manage their belongings independently.
Shoes / bags / clothes / bottles / lunchboxes

LABELING

Please label **everything**:
Water bottles / lunchboxes / all clothing / bags / shoes