

# Chuckery Primary School

## Nursery Newsletter

### Autumn Term 2024



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### What have we done this term to make us feel Proud?

We are so proud that the children are happy to come to Nursery everyday, they have settled in well and are beginning to follow the Nursery routines. Many of the children can now take off their coats and bags and hang them on their pegs as well as attempting to put coats on during their home time routine. The staff are also proud that the children are beginning to explore the classroom environment freely and can access the resources independently. They are still trying to remember where things go in our classroom and are beginning to use the picture prompts to help them sort the toys out into their correct places. We are super proud of all the children have achieved so far and we can see their progress daily. Well done Nursery!



### What we have been learning about this term

In Autumn 1 Nursery have been learning about 'This is me'. They have been busy talking about their family members and who lives with them. They have been looking at each other carefully to identify the similarities and differences between them through painting pictures, drawing, making models and transient art. At the beginning of this half term they learnt about Diwali and how Hindu families celebrate it.

Earlier this half term, the children were lucky enough to explore some snow, they made a snowman and threw some snowballs at Miss Edwards! Our second mini adventure was all about 'Woodlands' the children have been investigating woodland animals, their names, what they look like and their habitat. The children have been learning about the changes that occur during the Autumn time, especially to the trees and discovered there was a leaf thief! They also took part in a bare foot walk to explore their senses when reading 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt.' They have been exploring lots of natural materials that you would find in the woods. Our last mini adventure this term was 'Christmas' where we have learnt about what people do during this celebration and being part of the Early Year Christmas Production.

## **What we will be learning about in the spring term.**

**The mini-adventures your child will be covering are**

**Spring 1 - People who help us**

**Spring 2 - Cooking & Growing**

**The curriculum in the Early Years is split into 7 areas. Please see below the focus of learning in each area.**

### **Communication and language:**

- \*Understand and respond to simple questions
- \*Enjoy listening to longer stories
- \*Use a wider range of vocabulary linked to mini adventures

### **Personal and Social Development:**

- \*Grow in independence around the classroom
- \*Develop friendships with other children
- \*Understand why rules are important
- \*Continue to talk about and manage feelings.

### **Physical Development:**

- \*Use large and small motor skills to do things independently
- \*Use one-handed tools and equipment
- \*Continue to develop movement and balancing

### **Literacy:**

- \*Continue to listen to and enjoy stories
- \*Make our own marks that represent pictures and letters
- \*Begin to recognise letters of our name and attempt to write them

### **Maths:**

- \*Count in every day contexts to 5 and beyond
- \*Notice patterns and arrange things in patterns
- \*Link numerals to the amounts and recognise numbers when written down.

### **Understanding the World:**

- \*Understand how to keep healthy and discuss healthy and unhealthy food
- \*Know how to brush our teeth
- \*Talk about people in the community that help us
- \*To take care of a seed.
- \*To notice changes in materials.

### **Expressive Arts:**

- \*Join in with songs and rhymes.
- \*Express ideas and feelings through making marks with different art materials.
- \*Join in with others during pretend play

## Communications

### Reach More Parents

We use the Reach More Parents app for all of our school communications. Parents will need to have download the app so:

- they know what is happening in school,
- can make payments for trips, dinner money etc.
- Can complete forms and book appointments

### Facebook and Twitter

We share some photographs and announcements on our Facebook and Twitter pages. Find us at Chuckery primary—Official (Facebook) and @chuckeryprimary (Twitter)

### Our Website

Everything you need to know about the school can be found on the school website. Visit us at [www.chuckeryprimary.com](http://www.chuckeryprimary.com)



## Key Dates—Spring Term

Monday 6th January —School re-opens  
Tuesday 22nd—Wednesday 23rd January - Patents' Evening  
Thursday 13th February—Break up—Half Term  
Friday 14th February—Staff Training Day  
Monday 24th February—School re-opens  
Monday 24th—Wednesday 26th February—Y4 at Castleton Residential  
Thursday 10th April - Easter Egg Raffle  
Friday 11th April —Easter Egg Hunt  
Friday 11th April —Break Up  
Monday 28th April— School re-opens

## The School Day

Children should be in school at 8:45am. Gates close at 8:55am to allow parents time to leave the site . Children arriving after 8:55am will be marked as late. Further information can be found on our school web-site.

