

East Prescot Road Nursery School

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Dear families,

Happy Friday everyone! We have had a lovely week in school. Our Instagram feed showcases the wonderful learning that has been taking place over the week. We also celebrated Harvest with beautiful signing!

It is hard to believe that many of our children have only been with us for a short time and already they are so settled. Our school is filled with their smiles and laughter. You have done an amazing job working in partnership with our wonderful staff team to make sure that your children feel positive coming into school every morning.

Next week is our last week of this half term. As usual, here are a few reminders...

Winter coats

Please ensure your child has **a warm winter coat with a hood for school**. While children wear school waterproofs outdoors, on very cold days they will require the additional warmth of a winter coat.

Hats, scarves, gloves and umbrellas <u>not appropriate</u> for school. Hats, scarves and gloves go missing and also restrict a child's ability to play outdoors. Children are very active outdoors and staff will continually monitor the weather conditions to adjust outdoor learning sessions to meet the prevailing weather conditions.

Attendance and Timekeeping:

As a maintained nursery school, we follow the safeguarding procedures and policies of Liverpool City Council. As such, any **unexplained absences may be followed up as a safeguarding concern.**

If your child is going to be late or absent from school for any reason, please telephone the school office on the first day. If your child is ill, please keep them at home and contact us to let us know the nature of their illness and a likely return date.

Names on all belongings / lost property basket

Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name. This can be a sharpie pen or iron-on labels, for example. Staff will place any un-named items into our **lost property basket** in the library area for safe-keeping.

Harvest Collection

Your donations have now been taken to The Drive in Dovecot. Councillor Joanne Kennedy, one of our school governors, runs this local foodbank and has asked me to send **a big 'thank you' to all** of you on her behalf for your generosity.

Parent Meetings

After half term, we will be arranging parent-teacher meetings with your child's Key Person. This will be an opportunity for you to find out how your child has settled into their new class and to ask any questions you may have. Details will follow after half term.













Parent Workshops

After half term, we will be hosting a number of workshops for parents and carers, focusing on different aspects of learning and development. I will share further details after the half term holiday.

NELI Nursery Rhyme

Next week, our rhyme will be "Hickory Dickory Dock". Each day, children will focus on a Special Word to develop and extend their vocabulary. Our Special Words next week are:

- **a**u •
- clock
- run
- down

Top tip for finding own shoes

Some of our children find it tricky to know which are their own shoes. A top tip is to put stickers or some sort of mark inside both shoes that your child will recognise. Shoes should also be labelled with your child's name so that staff can match the correct shoes to your child.

Vegetable Soup

Next week, we are making a hearty Harvest vegetable soup! It will be lovely for children to see their own choice of vegetable going into the big pan of soup. Please bring an interesting choice of vegetable into school and hand this to your child's class team on Monday.

Little Owl's Lending Library

We have now launched our Little Owl's Lending Library for the new school year. Children will bring their own choice of book home each week to share. We want to encourage the enjoyment of reading at home. Set aside some time when you wont be interrupted, snuggle up on the couch Books **go home on a Thursday** and are to be returned the **following Wednesday**, please.

Jake and Tizzy Books

If your child brings home a Jake and Tizzy Book, this must be returned on a Wednesday.

After School Club Closure

A reminder that After School Club is closed next Wednesday (23rd October) for staff development.

This will be my last newsletter before the half term break. Children finish for half term on Friday 25^{th} October.

May I wish you all a very enjoyable half term break.

Stay safe and we will see you all back in school on Monday 4th November.

Mr Craig A Bolton Headteacher

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