We would like to welcome all of the new and returning children and their parents/carers into Nursery. After a lovely week of settling in sessions we are looking forward to the year ahead!

Every half term we will produce a newsletter with information and reminders for the coming weeks, which will also be displayed in Nursery. After the initial printed newsletter, we will be thinking of our planet, asking parents/carers to please check our website for ‘Our Newsletter’ for important updates and information: www.westthhn.bham.sch.uk

Free School Meals
If you believe your child is entitled to free school meals please contact or call into the school office.

All About Me
Thank you to all of those parents/carers who have returned the ‘All About Me’ sheets. We would be really grateful if those who have not yet returned them would bring them in as soon as possible.

Contact Details
Please ensure we have up-to-date contact details, including email addresses. Please speak to the office staff to report any changes, ensuring we communicate with you effectively.

Cake & Coffee
We will be holding a Coffee Morning on Wednesday 2nd October 9.00-10.00 & 1.30-2.30 in the Staff Room to fundraise for Macmillan. Cake donations welcome on the day.

Safeguarding
Please remember to look into the camera when entering through the gates so that staff can identify who is waiting to come into Nursery.

For the safety of all children please ensure that the wooden gates are closed behind you on leaving and entering nursery.

Due to limited space, the car park is for staff only.

Please avoid parking outside of the school gates, on yellow lines and zig-zag lines outside the Nursery. This is dangerous for children and has caused accidents in the past.

Lunchtimes
Please ensure that your child’s name is clearly written on the outside of their lunch bag and plastic tubs inside. All children have their school water bottle during lunch times so do not need to bring any drinks with them to school.

You will shortly be issued with a leaflet about healthy lunchbox choices. Please cut grapes and tomatoes in half lengthways to avoid choking.

School Fund
We ask for a £5 voluntary contribution per half term which helps with ‘extra’ activities such as providing toast for morning snack, cooking activities, party food and resources to enhance role play.

School Fund also contributes to the costs of visitors to school (e.g. Juggling Jim and storytellers).

We appreciate all voluntary contributions to school fund. If you would prefer to pay £1 on a weekly basis then just post the coin in the red box outside the school office. Green school fund collection envelopes are available for larger amounts outside the school office and can also be posted in the red box.
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Fruit
Your support in providing healthy snacks is greatly appreciated. Just one piece of fruit from each child every week is enough to share with their class at snack times. Fruit bowls are provided in each classroom.

Clothing
COATS: Please make sure your child has a warm coat and sensible footwear for school. Children will be playing outdoors every day in all weathers. Help your child by putting their name clearly on all of their belongings.

Bra Recycling
Please bring in your old bras to help us raise money for Breast Cancer Haven. There is a box by the office.

Dates for your Diary
Week Beginning 7th October Parent Consultations
Week Beginning 28th October Half Term (one week)
Monday 4th November School Closed- Training Day
Wednesday 6th November Individual School Photographs
Wednesday 13th November Christmas Card Design Deadline (letter to follow)
Tuesday 12th & Friday 15th Children In Need- Non Uniform Days
Week Beginning 2nd December Parent Workshops
Tuesday 17th & Christmas Singing &
Thursday 19th December Christmas Jumper Days
Wednesday 18th December Christmas Party Day- Non Uniform
Friday 20th December School Closed- Training Day
Monday 6th January 2020 First day of Spring Term

Morning Routine
Each day that your child comes into school they have a number of ‘jobs’ to do with you. They must put their name card on the group board, put on their name badge and fill their water bottle. Where possible, it would help your child if you arrive at Nursery by 9am. Group times begin at 9.15am and children have the opportunity to play before this time, which is a lovely start to their day!

Startwell
Startwell states that adults working with children must ensure that they are not only providing lots of opportunity for physical activity, but that they join in and show being active as fun. At Nursery we join in lots of physical activities inside and outside. Look on the Startwell website for ideas to try at home - physical activities and healthy recipes.

School Website
Visit our school website for regular updates: www.wesththn.bham.sch.uk
Give your views on our school at http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

www.startwellbirmingham.co.uk

Peg Bags
Your child will have a coloured bag on their peg, labelled with their name, to store any spare clothes. It is important that you check the bags regularly and make sure that there are clean clothes in the bag. If you are unsure please see your child’s key person. All spare clothes need to be clearly labelled.

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