



PRENTON PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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PRE-SCHOOL



What a wonderful first half term we have had in Pre-School. It has been so lovely to get to know the new children and their families during these first weeks and continue to get to know the children and families who were already with us. All of the children have settled into Pre-School beautifully and have learnt the rules and routines. Some excellent friendships are forming and the group as a whole are getting on very well.

This half term we have started looking at a sound each week, following the Jolly Phonics programme. So far we have covered s, a, t, p, i and n. The children can say the sound of each letter, sing the song, do the action and are beginning to hear and say the initial sound in different words beginning with these letters.



The children have done some excellent mathematics work too. We have learnt lots of counting action songs, made windmills using 2d shapes, ordered big and small autumnal pictures and practised recognising and forming numerals up to 10.



A particular highlight of this half term was our morning out to Vale Park. We went on our Autumn Walk and looked for the different signs of autumn. The children enjoyed collecting lots of different coloured leaves, conkers and acorns. Back in school we looked at these with magnifying glasses before using them to make hedgehog pictures.

The children have become familiar with the story of The Little Red Hen this half term. The story influenced our Harvest Assembly, which was performed with the children in KG. All of the children sang beautifully in the assembly and were very confident performing in front of the rest of the school. The children also baked some bread, just like The Little Red Hen. The children were brilliant bakers and the bread was delicious!



Well done to all of the children in Pre-School for making a tremendous start. After the half term break, we look forward to welcoming Olivia into Pre-School and beginning the magical and exciting time of the build up to Christmas!

Kindergarten News



It has been a busy term in the Kindergarten classroom, although the time since September seems to have flown. I am very impressed at how well the children have settled into their new routine and their mature attitude to wanting to learn and experience new ideas.

All the children are working well together and playing happily. They have adapted well to having homework and are very excited about learning to read. The children are making good progress, as a result of the partnership between school and home and the excellent level of support given by parents and grandparents.

All About Me

Our theme in Kindergarten this half term, has been "All About Me". It has been a good topic to start with, as it has enabled us to learn more about each other, our families, what we like, what we don't like and how we are similar in some ways, but different in others.



Woodchurch Library Visit

It was our first trip of the year to Woodchurch Library. All the children were very excited and had a lovely time, especially going on the minibus. We sang Harvest songs and read some Harvest stories, before it was time to come back to school.

Harvest Festival

The children in the Foundation Stage performed Harvest Festival to the Infants and Junior children and teachers. They sang songs about The Wheels on the tractor, planting seeds and of course, it wouldn't be Harvest Festival without singing Dingle Dangle Scarecrow. A very big

thank you to all parents who contributed to the Harvest Festival, the food has now been distributed to Wirral Foodbank.



Trip to Imagine That, Liverpool

We had a fantastic day exploring and investigating at Imagine That, in Liverpool. We were kept very busy, moving from one activity to the next. The children became scientists for the day, making bath bombs and slime, exploring erupting volcanoes, making giant bubbles and looking for dinosaur bones in the large sand pit. There was also time for creative activities painting fridge magnets and a real life car. The children enjoyed the day so much they asked if we could visit again. It was lovely to receive the email from the staff at Imagine That thanking us for visiting and congratulating the children on their sensible behaviour and beautiful manners. Well done children!!



Next Term



Next term our themes will be Autumn, Diwali, Bonfire Night, Winter and Christmas. We will be going on a walk around the local environment, to observe the changes taking place to the environment, during Autumn. This will provide lots of opportunity to continue practising our cursive writing style, writing descriptive words about what we see. We will also be celebrating and comparing the Festivals of Diwali and Christmas, which will also provide the opportunity to explore light and dark, linking to the shorter days and longer nights. There will also be lots of opportunities to continue developing the cursive writing style, in the Christmas Toy Shop, writing letters to Santa and Christmas lists. We will also be organising a trip to see Santa, which we hope will take place in the last week of term. Further details will follow nearer the time.

Rehearsals begin for this year's Christmas presentation, which the children will perform on Tuesday 3rd December for Pre-school parents and Wednesday 4th December for KG parents. We look forward to seeing you there.



Happy Birthday



"Happy birthday to you,
Happy birthday to you,
Happy birthday dear children,
Happy birthday to you".



The following children have had or will have lots of fun whilst celebrating their birthdays over the Autumn term:

Pre-School

Teddy Docherty
Isadora Frowe
Xavier Wallace
Nasser Ahmed
Alice Ainsworth
Brody Dwyer
Poppy McMahon
Bethany Pugh
Harry Pugh
Emily Roberts
Rafaele Smith
Harley Rae-Wells



Kindergarten

Shay Allen
Elsa Bennett
Charlotte Bibby
Elliot Cliff
Leo Curtis
Alessandra Garvey
Samuel Lynch
Gracie McCloud
Charlotte Stanhope



There are lots of exciting events taking place, make a note for your diaries.

Mon 04/11/19 Children Return to School
Wed 06/11/19 K.G. Trip to Woodchurch Library
Mon 11/11/19 P.S. - Year 6 Parents' Evening
Wed 13/11/19 P.S. - Year 6 Parents' Evening
Thur 14/11/19 Speech & Drama Assembly
Thur 28/11/19 MUFTI Day - children wear their own choice of clothes in exchange for a bottle for the Christmas Fair
Fri 29/11/19 6.00 - 8.00 pm Christmas Fair
Tue 03/12/19 9.15am FS Christmas Concert for PS Parents
Wed 04/12/19 9.15am FS Christmas Concert for KG Parents
7.00pm Junior Christmas Concert at St. Saviour's Church
Mon 09/12/19 10.00am P.S. trip to see Santa's Grotto at Carr Farm
Wed 11/12/19 10.00am K.G. trip to see Santa's Grotto at Carr Farm
Thur 12/12/19 PS and KG Christmas Parties
School Finishes for Christmas Holiday

WE HOPE YOU ALL
HAVE A LOVELY
HALF-TERM HOLIDAY AND
WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING THE CHILDREN
AGAIN ON
MONDAY
4th NOVEMBER 2019

