**Newsletter for The Sue Hedley Nursery**

**Autumn Term 2019**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very successful settling in period with your child and we have lots to look forward to this term.

Forest School Stay and Play –

We are very lucky to have our onsite Forest School that offers a wide depth of outdoor experiences for all of our children. We would love to share this environment with you and your family. We will be holding a welcome Forest School stay and play on;

**Tuesday 22nd October** for Green and Red groups: 9-11:30am

**Wednesday 23rd October** for Blue and Orange groups

Blue: 9-11:30am for morning children and 1-3:15pm for afternoon children

Orange: 9-11:30 for Victoria’s group and 1-3:15pm for Scarlett’s group

**Thursday 24th October** for Yellow and Purple groups

Yellow: 9-11:30

Purple: 9-11:30 for Linda’s group and 1-3:15 for Cheryl’s group

SCITT Teacher Trainee –

We welcome Becky to our team who will be working alongside Christina in the yellow group. Becky is from the Gateshead School Centred Initial Teacher Training programme and is currently on her final placement with us before qualifying by the end of November.

October half term –

We will break up on **Thursday 24th October** for one week.

**Friday 25th October** the school is **closed** for in-service training

School will reopen on **Monday 4th November**

Autumn walk –

Week beginning **4th November** we will be going on our autumn walk. Each group will be going on a different day; parents/carers are welcome to join us on the walk. More information will follow.

Children in Need –

We will be raising money for Children in Need on **Wednesday 13th November**. Our theme this year will be colour and sparkle. We will have a voluntary donation box on the day.

Parent chats –

Although all members of staff are available to speak to at any time, we all enjoy having parent chats to discuss your child’s progress. We will be having ‘settling in/progress chats’ week beginning **25th November**.

\*Sheets and further date information will be available in your key workers group to sign up closer to the time.

Weekly Voluntary contributions –

Each group has a tin where key workers will be accepting £1 on a weekly basis towards nursery funds. This is a voluntary contribution and will go towards daily fruit, outings and nursery extras.

Change of clothes –

Please ensure all children have a change of clothes hung up on their peg. Sometimes children have accidents and we have a limited supply of clothing. If clothing is borrowed from the nursery please return once washed. As the weather is getting wetter we find some children come in from the outdoors and Forest School wet or muddy and may need a change. Please include a few pairs of socks.

\*If you have any spare or unwanted clothes, we always appreciate any donations.

Future dates

**Tuesday 10th December** – Christmas sing along and stay and play

**Wednesday 11th December** – Pantomime

**Wednesday 18th December** – Christmas party

**Friday 20th December** – Fun day / break up for Christmas

**Monday 6th January** – School reopens

We look forward to the forthcoming months. If you have any questions or queries our staff are more than happy to help.

Warmest Regards,

Christina Guthrie

Lead Teacher