

# Autumn 1 Newsletter



## WHAT'S GOING ON?

Just a reminder that resource bags are available to borrow...there are some in each room. Just ask a member of staff if you are interested. We hope to continue to add to these and have applied to Asda to become part of their bag token scheme. If accepted, we will have funds to be able to create more resources for you to borrow.

It certainly feels like Autumn has arrived. Forest school starts this week so please ensure your child has wellies and a warm coat each day. The children are provided with a puddle suit for rainy days but will still need a coat and wellies. Thank you : )

### Dates for your diary

#### Break up

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

#### Re-open

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

#### Committee meeting

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September

#### Red, White and Blue Day

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Welcome to a new school year! The children have all settled well into nursery and are getting familiar with the routines. We have lots of exciting things coming up this year. In the Spring, I applied for a Big Lottery Grant to allow us to further develop Forest School for nursery and the community. Over the summer I found out that we have been successful with our bid! This means we will have our woodland developed. I will send out a separate letter explaining what our plans are.



Soon, I will be sending out a parental questionnaire. I hope that as many of you will fill it out as possible? We are always striving to make the nursery the best it can be to help your children develop and reach their full potential. The questionnaire will be about various aspects of the nursery and we really do value your opinion as service users. Thanks in advance.

If you wish to apply for the 30 hours funding for January 2018 please follow the link to the Childcare Choices website. This will help with any queries you may have about the 30-hour funding. It also gives information about Tax Free Childcare which is relevant information for everyone paying for Childcare including school age children attending Breakfast or After-school clubs. The website is very easy to use. Here is the link again...

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

The portal is now open to apply for a school place for your child for September 2018. If your child turns 4 between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 to August 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 you **will need** to apply for a school place through Lancashire County Council. Please follow the link here <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place.aspx>