

Scalliwags Pre-School Newsletter 28

Welcome to our first newsletter of the academic year!

Our Topics for Term 1

All about Me

Healthy Eating

Harvest

Autumn

Diwali/Firework Safety.

Reminders

- Packed lunches must not contain any products containing nuts.
- Please name all items that are brought to Scalliwags.
- Water bottles should only contain water.
- Calpol or Ibuprofen is not to be administered before attending Scalliwags, we complete temperature checks as part of our risk assessment and these medicines may prevent us from getting a true reading.

Donations

Thank you for all of the toy donations.

We are still on the look out for syringes (the type you get in calpol) and garden plants/items.

Upcoming Events

We are very excited to welcome our parents back into the setting this year. We will of course be cautious and events will be held in small groups. These are the dates to look out for.

Younger Children

15/11/2021 Parents' Evening

8/12/21 Christmas open morning

21/3/22 and 23/3/22 Mother's Day open morning

13/6/22 and 15/6/22 Father's Day open morning

Older Children

17/11/2021 Parents' Evening

7/12/21 and 9/12/21 Christmas open morning

22/3/21 and 24/3/21 Mother's Day open morning

14/6/22 and 16/6/22 Father's Day open morning

21/6/22 and 23/6/22 Sports Day.

Next Steps

At Scalliwags, we work hard to promote the children's independence. Please encourage your children at home to be independent, whether this is putting on their own shoes and jackets or opening something from their lunch.

We have been looking at what makes us the same or different. At home, please talk about our community and where they live.

What have we been up to?

During our 'All about Me' topic, the children enjoyed talking about their identity; they used different materials to make self-portraits of themselves whilst looking in the mirror. The children spoke about what makes them different or the same as each other. We used the family board to talk about their families and who they live with and what they enjoy doing at home. Using different puzzle pieces, we matched and made different faces and discussed our emotions. We have introduced using Makaton to the children. They have used please, happy, sad and share. We also introduced the children to PE where we have enjoyed dancing to head, shoulders, knees and toes and learning a new Scalliwags' PE song, which you are sure to hear.

The younger children also used the mirrors to look at themselves and to recognize facial features. Our families were discussed, who has brothers and sisters, pets, what we like to do and play with. This has been insightful in getting to know our new Scalliwags. Our older children have used the Read, Write, Inc scheme to support them in sounding their phonics for letters 'm', 'a' and 's'.

We have been overwhelmed by your support in sending in family photos for our display. This is a great addition to our setting. Thank you 😊





