ST MARGARET CLITHEROW ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Wednesday 13th September

Welcome to Nursery Class! It has been wonderful to see so many smiling faces come into school so confidently over the past few days and we look forward to working in partnership with you over this year.

I am Mrs Hurley and I will be your child's class teacher this year, together with Mrs Hayllar and Mrs Ridgers-Latif, who are our EYFS Practitioners. If your child is staying for the afternoon session, Mr Shields will be their teacher, with Ms Cameron as Teaching Assistant. We thought it would be useful to give you an overview below of some of the daily and weekly routines that are being introduced to the children, together with an outline of the curriculum areas that we will be covering this year!

Morning Drop-off

The school day starts at 8.45am. Please could children bring named book bags each morning. The school book bag is ideal, rather than backpacks, as it will be needed for the children to bring home a book of their choice to share, any school letters and creations that they wish to take home. We also have a supply of spare clothing in school, so you don't need to bring a separate bag with change of clothes.

Boxes for book bags are placed by the Nursery door each morning and children can leave their book bags in their table group colour box: red, green, yellow or blue as they enter the class. Children have Busy Fingers activities and snack time at their tables and so are already becoming familiar with their colour group.

Pick up procedures - keeping everyone safe

Pick up after the morning session will be from the Infant gate (where you enter the school grounds each morning) at 12.00 noon. In order to keep everyone safe, children will be released on an individual basis to either you or a nominated adult. If your child is staying for the afternoon session pick up is at 3.15pm from the Nursery gate.

In order to ensure effective safeguarding procedures, please note that we are not able to release children to anyone other than you unless we have prior notification. Where this is a regular arrangement notice in writing is required or an email to the office. In an emergency a timely telephone call to the office will suffice.

Clothing

May I please ask that all items of your child's uniform and his/her coat/jacket are clearly labelled with his/her name. Children do not need to change shoes in Nursery, but I would ask that a pair of named wellies are kept in school as we are very fortunate to have a fantastic outdoor environment here at St Margaret Clitherow and are able to explore it as part of teaching sessions. Could you also please ensure that children have waterproof coats with hoods and wellies for autumnal weather, so that they are comfortable and warm when we work outside. Thank you.

Lunch



Jesus lives in us, our families, our school, our Church, our world. Jesus is our guide, let us follow Him At St Margaret Clitherow School we are committed to Safeguarding Children If your child is staying for lunch, please ensure lunchboxes are named and please do not sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks. We also request that nuts of any kind are not sent into school and please do not send in kiwi fruit or pineapple due to allergies within the class. There is a container next to the Nursery door for lunchboxes. They are not to be kept in backpacks or book bags please.

Snack/drinks

Your child will be offered milk or water to drink and some fruit, e.g. banana or raisins, at snack time. However, if you feel that your child would prefer some fruit from home each day, simply hand it to me in a named plastic bag at drop off in the morning and I will ensure that your child receives it at snack time. All children have access to drinking water during the session and there is no further requirement to provide any additional drinks/snacks. Any snack containers will be placed back in your child's book bag at the end of the session.

Finally, I would encourage you to follow the school on X (Twitter) @StMClitherow as each week you will gain insights into what your child does in class after you say goodbye, admin reminders and ad hoc notices specifically for Nursery.

We look forward to working in partnership with you and your child during an exciting year ahead!

Yours faithfully

Mrs B M Hurley Class Teacher (Mornings) Mr T Shields Class Teacher (afternoons)



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