

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

ST. CHAD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome to Nursery!

I would like to wish you all a warm welcome to the Nursery at St. Chad's. It is a very exciting time as we open up our brand new Nursery as part of our Early Years Foundation Stage. It has been lovely meeting new children and families. The children are busy settling into Nursery life and are taking part in new routines. They have made a super start and we are very proud of them.

This year, our Nursery staff is myself, Miss Link and Mrs Westwood. Miss Link and I are the nursery teachers and Mrs Westwood is Nursery teaching assistant. Miss Link and I are also teaching at another school in our academy, St Joseph's, and we are sharing the teaching role and teaching a week at one school and then a week at the next. When I am at St Chad's, Miss Link will be teaching at St Joseph's, and then the following week, Miss Link will teach at St. Chad's and I will be teaching at St. Joseph's.

In Nursery, the children will soon be moving into their key worker groups. The groups are: 'The Bees' with myself and Miss Link, and 'The Butterflies' with Mrs Westwood. These groups allow the children to spend time in smaller groups during teaching times.

I would like to thank you for your support as the children have moved into a new school year and we look forward to working with our families as we support the children as we work, learn and grow together.

Mrs Smith

What are we learning about?

Our topics are: Ourselves and Celebrations.

Our focus books will include, What Colour is Love, Owl Babies, Peace at Last, The Jolly Postman and The Enormous Turnip.

In RE, we will be learning all about how God created us. We will go on learning walks, chat about everything that God has created and why we are all special.

Communication and Language We will be encouraging the children to talk about their thoughts, and to listen to, enjoy and join in with stories. We will be exploring the meanings of new words.

Physical Development We will be working on how to use the resources in the environment, and to use one-handed tools and equipment, such as snipping with scissors. We will be exploring moving in different ways, and to develop independence when putting on coats and washing their hands.

Special days / Dates

Thursday 9th December - Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Our class saint is St Mary. The children will be invited to come to Nursery wearing their own clothes for a celebration.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development We will be supporting the children as they settle into new routines and environment, and to develop their sense of belonging into their new class, and building relationships with the children and adults in Nursery.

Values for Autumn Term:

Eloquent and Truthful until half term

Eloquent by being clear in how speak so that we can be understood and truthful in what we have to say and share with others. Speaking clearly and truthfully when spreading the Word of God.

Learned and Wise after half term

Learned in our knowledge of God, his miracles, his life, his love for us and wise in the choices and decisions we make.