



# Welcome to The Winns Nursery



## Autumn 2



This half term the children will be learning 'All About Me' we are delighted that all our Nursery children have joined us now and we are looking forward to continuing to all getting to know each other. To develop Communication and Language skills children will be bringing in photos from home (email to [Yvonne.Hunte@winns.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:Yvonne.Hunte@winns.waltham.sch.uk)) to talk about themselves and their families, we will be encouraging children to express their thoughts and feelings, discuss where they live, their favourite toys, who is in their family and some of their favourite family meals. Children will be supported to start conversations with adults and peers about their families and notice similarities and differences between families.

This half term to help children Understand The World we will be learning through play in our home corner, we will be preparing meals, sharing recipes from different cultures and learning about our teachers national dishes. Through learning about our families children will begin to make sense of their own life story and family history. In Nursery we want children to develop positive attitudes about the differences between people. Children will be using a hands on approach to exploring different natural materials in our curiosity box and asking questions.

This half term we will develop Maths skills we will count the members of our family and we will also be measuring ourselves and comparing heights. Children will be exploring 2d and 3d shapes by creating family portraits. Children will begin to develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects without having to count them. To tie in with our 'All about Me' topic children will describe a familiar route and discuss routes and locations using words like behind, next to, in front, beside.



As part of our Art & Design learning children will be creating their own unique handprint in clay. Children will take part in pretend play using an object that represents something else even though they may not be similar. Children will learn to draw with increasing complexity and details such as representing a face with a circle.

To develop the children's Physical Development the children will be balancing, walking on stilts, riding bikes and scooters and completing obstacle courses. Children will learn how to collaborate with others to manage large items and will also be moving to music remembering sequences and patterns of movement which are related to the music and rhythm. To develop fine motor skills children will use a range of small tools such as scissors, tweezers, paint brushes, pens and pencils. We are developing our Nursery garden and would like any green-fingered parents help, more information to follow.

To develop Literacy skills this half term children will be learning that print has different purposes through seeing a range of non-fiction and fictional texts and looking at the names of different parts of a book. In Nursery we will be sharing stories with the children encouraging them to join in with the parts that they know and anticipate what might happen next. We will pay particular attention to new vocabulary and embedding this within children's language.

In Nursery we will continue to focus on the children's Personal Social and Emotional, skills by talking about their feelings using words such as sad, happy, excited, angry, and worried. Through looking at our similarities and difference children will begin to gradually understand how others might be feeling.



WE NEED YOU!



### Your Nursery class needs you!

We are looking for items for our classroom environment if you have any of the following that you no longer need we would greatly appreciate them!

Wicker baskets (any shape or size) buttons, hessian, wooden pegs, corks, wooden lollipop sticks, pebbles, shells, wooden trays or boxes, gingham fabric, wooden numbers or letters. Junk modelling resources. Please keeping checking Marvellous Me and Eduspot for notifications.

**9<sup>th</sup> November Healthy Teeth parent workshop**  
**11<sup>th</sup> December Christmas fair**  
**Autumn Walk – date tbc**

### The team

Miss Yvonne Hunte – Nursery Teacher  
 Mrs Katerina Clarke – Nursery Nurse  
 Miss Lucy Unwin - Nursery Nurse  
 Mrs Belinda Skippers – Nursery support  
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