

Pre-School Autumn 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to Pre-School

We hope you had a wonderful half term. The children have settled back into our routines well and have enjoyed spending time with their friends again. Our half termly newsletter outlines our curriculum focus for the half term and sets out key reminders. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to catch us on the door or, alternatively, you can send an email: eyfs@harris.lancs.sch.uk
Many thanks, Mrs Bilsbrough

Communication & Language

This half term, Pre-School will be focusing on understanding 'why' questions. We will also have a go at using a wider range of new vocabulary.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half term, we will be focusing on understanding our own feelings and developing our sense of responsibility and membership of a community.

In our *My Happy Mind* module, we will be focusing on our 'Celebrate' topic – looking at our character strengths and what makes us unique.

Physical Development

We will focus on daily fine and gross motor skills. We will continue with Dough Disco sessions and begin Squiggle while you Wiggle.

In PE, we will learn different ways of travelling (moving), climbing up and down apparatus and rolling a ball accurately.

Literacy

This half term, we will be retelling stories through role play and small world. We will also be continuing to focus on our mark making skills.

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on reciting numbers past 5 and learning that the last number reached is the total amount.

Understanding the World

This half term we will continue to look at different religious celebrations, including Diwali and Christmas. We will also be exploring seasons and our senses.

Expressive Art & Design

This half term we will begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses, etc. We will also be exploring different materials freely, to develop our ideas about how to use them and what to make.

Reminders

What to bring – Please can all children bring a water bottle, bag and coat to school each day.

Water Bottles – Water bottles **must** be named. Children often have the same/similar bottles, which makes identifying their own bottle difficult.

Book Bags – Please can you ensure your child brings a bag containing spare clothes, in case of any accidents, every day. This must be clearly labelled with their name.

PE – PE is on Thursday mornings. Please ensure your child wear appropriate clothing for physical activity, including trainers. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered up. Please name your child's trainers.

Wellies and Waterproofs – The children are invited to bring in a pair of wellies, which will remain in school. You are also welcome to send in a set of waterproofs for your child. Please ensure you have named your child's wellies and waterproofs.

Packed Lunches – Please ensure your child brings a healthy packed lunch to school, containing **NUT-FREE** products. Please do not send sweets in your child's packed lunch box.

Fruit and Milk – If your child would like milk at snack time and you have not already done so, please sign up to Cool Milk (<https://coolmilk.com/parents/>) to ensure your child is on our milk list. We have various fruit on offer at snack time.

Names – *Please remember to write/stick your child's name on all their belongings, including water bottles, shoes and book bags. Children can become upset when they cannot find their own belongings and all the jumpers/cardigans look the same!*