



Autumn Term 2019

EYFS Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Gates Primary! We hope your child has enjoyed their first days with us. Thank you for your support while we have been getting to know you and your children. We are currently assessing the children in preparation for starting our phonics program, maths activities and topic work.

The EYFS Team ☺

This terms topic overview...

- **Baseline Assessment** (this is when we assess where the children started at with the curriculum)
- **All About Me** – families, friends, interests, traditions, homes...
- **Autumn** – Percy the Park Keeper Stories, seasonal changes, nature walk...
- **Bonfire Night** – Guy Fawkes, Fire Safety, Fireworks...
- **Diwali** – the story of Rama and Sita, traditions...
- **Christmas** – The Nativity Story, Christmas Production, Visit from Santa...

Curriculum Night...

We will be holding our EYFS Curriculum Night on **Thursday 26th September 5-6pm**. This will be an opportunity for staff to further explain what children will be doing in school, how children are taught, strategies to help at home and to share end of year curriculum expectations. You will also receive your child's Home School Diary and reading book. In the mean time you can help support your child at home by sharing books at home, talk about their day, counting, colouring in, playing with playdough etc.

Class Names...

As you may have noticed every class in school has a bird name. We are Penguin Class! We have Mrs Jarrett, Miss Altham, Mrs Higginbottom and Mrs Mort.



Snack Money...

Please can you send £1 snack money in a name labelled envelope each week. There is also an option to pay termly. If paying termly the amount will change due to the different number of weeks in each term.



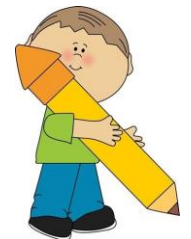
Physical Development...

We provide opportunities for children to develop both their gross motor and fine motor skills every day through both our indoor and outdoor classrooms. Part of the curriculum focuses on dressing and undressing independently; this is something you can help with at home. Please can all children bring their kits in on the first day of half term and take them home on the last day of term. We ask that PE kits are left in school as we often need to change children if they get wet/have an accident etc. We will always send them home if they have been used for anything other than a PE lesson.



Writing Bag...

To encourage writing, we will be sending our writing bags home with children. Each group has their own bag. They are to keep this for one week (Friday-Friday) and write about where they been and what they have done with our special teddies. The purpose of this is to encourage writing and mark making. Please allow your **child** to write in the book. You are more than welcome stick in photographs etc.



Please ensure your child brings a coat and school bag each day. Also can you please make sure that **everything** is labelled with your child's name...even shoes!



2 simple parent share

Don't forget to share WOW moments from home with us by simply emailing a photograph and comment to inbox@2buildaprofile.com and this will send it straight to your child's profile. We will explain this clearly at the curriculum evening.

Our School Blog

Please check our school blog regularly. There are lots of photographs of what we have been up to in school and of special events. We also put homework up on there too. If you have a problem logging in please let one of the EYFS Staff know and we can resolve the problem as soon as we can. Please feel free to add comments to the blogs as this is something the children love to read.

