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Term 1 Planning

Focus – Settling in to our new Pre-school

In the first couple of weeks of Term 1, we gradually introduce the children to their new Pre-school, activities, routines and teachers. This is important for the children as they need to become familiar with their new setting so they feel confident and safe within it. We take our time with this process, and for some children it can take longer than for others, so it is important that we introduce routines and activities slowly.

Activity	How	Learning Intent
Introducing the circle time – Hello Song	Children to sit together in the morning and the afternoon for circle time and sing together, whilst tapping their knees. We go around the circle singing 'hello' to each child and teacher whilst singing their names. We will extend this using Makaton signs.	Circle time helps children develop a wide range of skills and attitudes such as confidence, self-esteem, talking and listening. Learning the 'hello' song also helps children with their friendship and strengthens the relationships between the adults and the children.

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Introducing and talk about the Pre-school rules	Together as a group we sit and talk about the Pre-school rules; -listening well - kind words - gentle hands Teachers remind children of these throughout the day	Having Pre-school rules, agreed together, helps to teach children to understand what are expected of them. Having positive rules encourages a happier Pre-school environment.

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Tidy Up	When the bell rings we all come together, the teacher asks what we need to do before we can move on to the next activity (snack, lunch, outside time etc.). The children establish we need to tidy up! We play our tidy up music and together tidy up the room as a team.	Tidy up time is a time when lots of learning can take place. It's also a vitally important time for nurturing effective learners. The tidying away process helps children to know that everything in their Pre-school has its own place – a place where it belongs, a place where it can be found again tomorrow.