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Wellies and Slippers – Our Wet Weather System

As the weather has changed and we are experiencing more rainfall, we are introducing our wellies and slippers system, when we return after half term, which has worked really well at pre-school over the years.

Please could you provide your child with a pair of slippers to keep at pre-school, if you haven't already done so. These should be easy for your child to slip on independently and must be **clearly labelled with your child's name**. Croc-style slippers tend to work particularly well if you are looking for ideas!

The slippers will stay at pre-school in your child's pump bag. If your child already has slippers here from last term, please check that they still fit, as they may now be too small.

How the system works:

- Arrive at pre-school wearing wellington boots.
- Change into slippers when indoors.
- Keep the slippers at pre-school ready for your child's next session.



This means your child will always be wearing either their wellies or their slippers while at pre-school.

We appreciate your understanding and support with this system. With up to 22 children arriving and leaving at different times, changing everyone's footwear can be quite a challenge! We also have limited space for children to arrive in their usual shoes, change into wellies and slippers, and then change back again at the end of the session.

By keeping things simple and encouraging children to manage their own footwear, we can help them develop independence and, importantly, spend more time playing and learning rather than waiting for shoes to be changed or fastened.

So, in a nutshell: please send your child to pre-school wearing their wellies, with a pair of slippers labelled with their name waiting for them in their pump bag.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL FOOTWEAR IS CLEARLY LABELLED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.

I hope you all understand why we have introduced this system. Having our wellies on hand also means we can have even more fun outdoors, splashing in muddy puddles! 😊

If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to come and speak to me.

Finally, please remember that **we play outside in ALL weathers!** It is therefore very important that your child has either an **all-in-one waterproof suit or a raincoat** at pre-school so that they are ready to enjoy outdoor play whatever the weather.

Thank you, as always, for your understanding and support!



Yours truly

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