

### **Gym equipment**

Please may we remind you, that the gym equipment is not to be used by pre-school children, this includes before and after pre-school sessions.

### **All about Me**

In Nene class we are continuing to make a book for each child with pictures of them from home including pictures of their family, sibling, pets etc. They enjoy sharing these books with their peers and staff. If you could email the pictures to [preschool@guyhirn.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:preschool@guyhirn.cambs.sch.uk) and if you have already done this and want to send more pictures then please do.

### **Library Books**

Each child is loaned a library book from the school library, which will be changed once it has been read, if they return it. They will receive certificates as they read 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and so on books. If you are unsure if your child currently has a book out on loan, please ask and we will be able to check the system for you and inform you of the title of the book if they have one.

### **Russy the Rabbit**

Russy is our pre-school toy rabbit that we send home with each child for a few days to spend time with them and has a diary for you to complete. Please be assured that all children will have a turn to take Russy home with them but with lots of children at the setting, it can take a while for it be get round to your child's turn. If you would like to add pictures you can always email them to the preschool email and we can print them for you if needed.

### **Questions/Queries**

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to speak to myself or Mrs Tegerdine before/after session. Once all the children have been let in or dismissed we will then be able to speak to you or contact us via email at [preschool@guyhirn.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:preschool@guyhirn.cambs.sch.uk).

### **Name labels**

Please can we ask that all of you child's items are named as it is very difficult for us to ensure they are sent home with the right child if not.

# Guyhirn Church of England Primary School and Pre-School



## Nene Class

**2025**  
**Autumn Term**  
**Mrs Garner**

Welcome back after the summer holidays, we hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready for the start of the new academic year. We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new families, we look forward to getting to know you all.

During this term our themes/topics are:

#### **All about me**

Within this topic the children will be learning about themselves and what makes them unique. The topic also covers families, where they live, people who help us and the community throughout the year. The photographs from home books will be a great addition to this topic!

#### **Journeys**

The children will be learning about going on a journey and understanding that journey takes you from one place to another. They will be learning about how people in the past travelled in comparison to now, as well as investigating into different modes of transport. Within this topic we will be looking at where the school is located and the local area. We will also be taking part in activities relating to journeys to cold places.

#### **Literacy/English-**

We will be using a range of different texts to support the children's learning of each topic. The book we will be looking at to support their learning of 'All about me' include; Ask first monkey, There's a house inside mummy's tummy as well as some non-fiction texts to extend the children's learning. Texts to support the learning of 'Journeys' are; Handa's surprise, Chicken Licken, Lost and found. To support Literacy skills at home we encourage you to read with your child everyday as this will allow them to hear a range of vocabulary and different intonations of the voice. To extend upon this, it is really beneficial if the children can draw a picture of something relating to the story they have listened to, recall any of the main events, name any of the characters and tell you a little bit about them or anticipate what might happen next as you read.

#### **Maths -**

Our focus within Maths this term is colours, recognising, naming and matching colours. We will then move onto sorting which will involve sorting various objects according to their attributes and finally we will explore pattern, with the children learning about continuing on a recurring pattern.

#### **Phonic's Awareness -**

Each day the children take part in a phonics awareness. The children take part in numerous different activities linked with improving listening skills, recognising sound and sound awareness. Children that will be going to school next year will also take part in activities linking to alliteration and rhyme. All these early phonics skills will support the children as they progress into school.

#### **RE (Religious education) -**

For RE this term we are going to be looking at "What makes me special?" Looking at themselves & others and thinking about their likes, dislikes and family and friends. And then "Who is special to different people?" Looking at their family, people in school, local community and religious people.

#### **Forest School -**

Each Tuesday afternoon, pre-school take part in Forest School. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop skills, interests and understanding through a wholesome practical, hands on experience. Forest school takes place on the school field and all children must wear long sleeves, trousers and trainers/walking boots. Even in hot weather, the children need to wear long sleeves and trousers for Forest school. This is for the children's safety and to protect them from possible stings, scratches and possible abrasions from the ropes. We would also recommend waterproof clothing for the wet weather. Wellies are not permitted for Forest school as they are unsuitable for climbing in. If your child attend for Forest school sessions, we kindly ask that you bring them into session wearing their Forest school clothing.

#### **Show and Tell Dates -**

Show and Tell is where your child can bring a toy/object from home into school. This term's show and tell is any time during the week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

Please can you ensure that this is the only time toys from home are brought into pre-school.