



Early Years Newsletter

'We can and will succeed'

Staff in Class: Teachers: Mrs Wilkinson. Nursery Nurses: Mrs Wharton/Mrs Harwood and Mrs Younas.

Message from the staff: We are very excited to welcome you and your child to a new school year at Carlinghow Academy. We hope you've had a great summer and are ready for the new term. The children all look very smart in their school uniforms and we have been super impressed by how everyone has settled in. Over the next half term, we will be doing lots of fun activities to help the children settle and support them in every aspect of 'school life'. The staff are all here to help your child settle in so please come and see us if you have any questions, concerns or comments!

Class Topic: Marvellous Me!

Within the first 4 weeks, each child in Reception will be baselined. The adults will get to know the children through observations and working with the children in the provision areas.

Seasons

Learning about the seasons will continue throughout the year. We will be learning about seasonal changes and key features of Autumn. The children can discover natural Autumn resources in our investigation area.



Knowledge and Understanding of the World

'Ourselves' - we will be learning about our bodies and our senses. We will be doing lots of activities about our favourite people and places.



Reception Maths:

- ◆ Getting to know you
- ◆ Match, sort and compare - matching pictures and objects, sorting objects and comparing amounts.
- ◆ Talk about measure and patterns - comparing size, mass and capacity, exploring and creating simple patterns.

Reception Literacy:

The children will be learning stories through 'Talk Through Stories'. We will be reading the stories frequently to get to know them really well and learning the vocabulary in them.

The stories this term are: The Rainbow Fish, Perfectly Norman, and Ruby's Worry.

Phonics: We will be teaching Phonics using the Read, Write Inc scheme. This half term the children will learn the sounds: m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g, o, c, k, u, b, f, e, l, h, r, j.

Name writing: Children will practise recognising and writing their name each day.

Physical Development:

- ◆ Getting dressed and undressed.
- ◆ Moving around the hall.
- ◆ Using the outdoor area - climbing on the climbing frame and using the bikes.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- ◆ Classroom rules and routines.
- ◆ Belonging.
- ◆ Everyone is unique.



Creative Development:

- ◆ Using paint to create different pieces of art.
- ◆ Cutting and sticking to create a collage.
- ◆ Self-portraits.
- ◆ Autumnal pictures.



How parents can help at home: Please help your child to recognise and begin to write their name - put name cards around the house or write their name on snacks! Share stories, songs and rhymes at home. Practise counting objects at home. It could be cereal, shoes, people, anything! Talk about how old your child is now and how old they will be on their next birthday.

Days/Dates to remember:

Reception: P.E. with the Sports Coach is on a Friday. Please ensure your child has a pair of named black pumps in school.

School closes for half-term - Thursday 24th October 2024.

School reopens on Tuesday 5th November 2024.

