

STAPLEFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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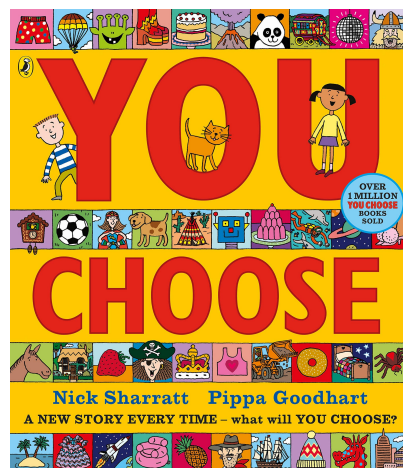
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Dear parents and carers,

For those of you who have just joined Stapleford Nursery, welcome! For those of you who are returning, welcome back! We are very excited to begin a new academic year with you all and look forward to getting to know you and your children more. This term will centre around building new relationships between the children and the adults, and supporting the children in becoming comfortable and settled in the new dynamic at Stapleford Nursery. Our core book for this term is 'You Choose' by Pippa Goodhart. Focusing our learning around this book gives the children the opportunity to explore their communication and language skills, share their interests and will allow us all to get to know each other. To find out more detail about the specific areas of learning we will be focusing on, please refer to the Topic Web document. If you have any questions or concerns at any time please feel free to contact me on nursery@staplefordprimaryschool.org



The Team

The staff that will be looking after your child are Miss Davies (Nursery Teacher), Mrs Sullivan (Nursery Assistant) who is here Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and Mrs Baines (Nursery Assistant) who is here Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Tapestry

To keep you updated on your child's learning we use Tapestry, which allows the staff in the Nursery to send observations of children's learning. Parents can also upload pictures to share with us if you have any wow moments at home that you would like to share. If you haven't returned your Tapestry slip, please can you do so and I will then be able to activate parent log-ins to your child's learning journey.

Our Learning

Our topics in the Nursery are usually guided by the children's interests, although we do plan to cover certain specific themes across the year, such as seasons, festivals and celebrations. We are starting our year with our core book 'You Choose,' which will allow us to have lots of conversation and discussion relating to the illustrations and help us get to know each other.

Attached you will find the topic web as an overview of this half terms' learning.

Learning through Play

The learning in the Nursery is through exploration and following the children's curiosities. However, we do also implement discrete adult led learning too. On a daily basis the areas within the room are set up to support and challenge the children in different areas of learning related to the current topic. Throughout the day we gather together for a 'circle time' where we will have a particular learning focus such as reading a story and discussing key parts such as the characters and the setting. The circle time will then link to an adult focused activity which we encourage all children to participate in. We will base all activities on each individual within the room and adapt activities to support their needs but challenge their thinking too. We love to follow the children's interests so we will always support these interests within the weekly plans and activities which are implemented. We are very lucky to have our fantastic outdoor area which we share with the Reception Class so we implement a free flow indoor/outdoor policy where children can roam freely.

Phonics

Initially we support children in carpet times and small group activities where we will focus on speaking and listening skills to lay the foundation for further Phonics skills. We will do this by encouraging children to become aware of the sounds around them such as environmental sounds. Throughout our daily routine we sing Nursery Rhymes and read rhyming stories which further supports the foundation skills for their later Phonic knowledge of reading and writing.

PE and Moat Days

For the first two weeks of the term we will focus on settling the children into the space and getting to know our daily routines. After the two weeks, if we feel the children are ready we will begin adding a weekly PE and moat session to our routine. The PE session will be on Thursday afternoons and the moat will be on Monday mornings, the week commencing 19th September. I will send a reminder out regarding these sessions prior to that week so you know what your child should wear and bring.

A Special Note

As part of our learning this term we will be sharing about our families and our relationships. Please send in a physical picture of your child's family/people who are important to them.

Alternatively, feel free to email it to me on nursery@staplefordprimaryschool.org and I can print it for you.

Many Thanks!