



Pre-School Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term (First Half) 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to begin by saying a big welcome to all our new families here at Wintringham Pre-School, I am excited to see all the new children settling into the next step of their educational journey with us. I would also like to welcome back our existing families. I hope you all have had a fabulous summer break and are ready for all the adventures that await this year.

I am sure that you will be delighted to hear that both Mr Bunn and Miss Bichener have now been formally appointed as the Pre-School Leaders.

Learning Theme – All About Me

This half term, we'll be focusing on ourselves and using this first part of the year to learn about all the new children and families that are starting with us. We will also be exploring lots of activities that will identify how we are all unique individuals.

To help with this, we will be looking at the following books:

- We Are All Welcome by Alexandra Penfold
- Kindness Makes Us Strong by Sophie Beer
- Hello Friend by Rebecca Cobb
- My Shadow is Purple by Scott Stewart
- Daisy's Dragons by Frances Stickley

We will also be exploring Feelings and Emotions, My Body, Important People to Me, Healthy Habits and Autumn.

The children have been busy since the beginning of term exploring their newly designed areas that will help them flourish through different stages of their own development journey. We have witnessed some brilliant new friendships forming and I cannot wait to see these bloom further with the introduction of all our new starters.

To begin some early stages of phonic awareness in preparation for next half term we have started our Music and Movement sessions. We will be exploring the aspects of the rhyme Baa Baa Black Sheep within this.

We are also continuing to follow Scribble Club. Encouraging the children to make marks during their play, not only at the mark making table. Scribble Club helps to encourage imaginative play as well as mark making.

Ideas for Supporting Your Child at Home.

Reading – The lending library is available throughout the week; this will offer a wide variety of books for you and your child to enjoy together. Reading is important at all ages of development as it broadens the child's vocabulary as well as giving you some valuable time together.

Encourage your child to be independent – Can they dress and undress themselves? Can they eat with a knife and fork? Can they take themselves to the toilet independently? These are part of our school readiness goals, and we encourage all these daily within Pre-school.

Reminders

Please provide wellies for your child to change into at Pre-school. We go outside in all weather and whilst we do have a limited number of spares, we cannot always guarantee enough being available if your child requires them. This may mean they miss out on the outdoor learning experiences they all thoroughly enjoy.

As the weather begins to cool and becomes a little unpredictable, please can we ask that you begin to send children in with the items of clothing that they may need with the changing weather. We have some spares to lend out, however this supply is limited.

Please label all items. As the Pre-school gets busier, having named items will minimize the chance of belongings not being returned to the correct owner.

Please ensure the prompt return of the password forms that are handed out to you. It is important that we have the correct password and permission for the adults you wish to collect your child. For safeguarding reasons, without prior notice of any other person collecting your child we are unable to release them.

Diary Dates 2025 -2026

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October
Monday 3rd November
Tuesday 4th November
Friday 19th December
Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January

October Half Term

Training Day

Autumn Term Continues
Term Ends

Christmas Holidays

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5th January
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February
Monday 23rd February
Friday 27th March
Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

Spring Term Starts

February Half Term

Spring Term Continues
Term Ends

Easter Holidays

Summer Term 2026

Monday 13rd April
Tuesday 14th April
Monday 4th May
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May
Monday 1st June
Friday 17th July
Monday 20th July

Training Day

Summer Term Starts

May Bank Holiday

May Half Term

Summer Term Continues
Term Ends

Training Day