



NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2022

Important Dates to Remember

HALF TERM

Monday 24th – Friday 28th October 2022

INSET DAY

Friday 21st October 2022

PARENT CONFERENCE DAY

Wednesday 23rd November 2022



Black History Month

During October, we are taking part in national celebrations to honour the accomplishments of Black Britons across society and across history.

We are inviting parents to be part of these celebrations by coming into Nursery to share a part of their family history and culture with the children.

This could be:

- Reading a story that celebrates Black culture with the children - we have many to choose from or you can bring one of your favourites from home.
- Showing the children clothes that you wear on special occasions.
- Showing the children how you style your child's hair - what products and accessories you use.
- Playing dominoes with the children or other traditional family games.
- Teaching the children a traditional song.
- Talking to the children about your family history/home-country (show photos or special objects)

Let your child's Key Person know if this is something you in which you would like to take part.

Core Books, Songs and Poems

The children love to share books and stories and we enjoy bringing them to life with props and by acting them out. We share core 2 books this half-term in both the Under 3's classes and the 3-5's classes. Core books are books that we think that the children will really enjoy and that we would like them to know well. We are seeing the children retelling these stories in class. This retelling occurs as the children play with small world toys, in the homecorner and in games in the playground as well as in children's art work. The repeated retelling of these stories supports language and vocabulary consolidation as well as helping children to learn key concepts. We also have fun core songs and rhymes that support language acquisition.

Core Books for Autumn Term 1



Core Songs for Autumn Term 1



It's A Rainbow



Che Che
Koolay



Tinga Laya

Leaves Are Falling

Leaves are falling, leaves are falling,
One fell on my nose.
Leaves are falling, leaves are falling.
One fell on my toes...



Applying for a Primary School Place

Please find attached Southwark's guide to applying for a primary school place.

If your child was born **between September 2018 and August 2019**, your child is due to start primary school in September 2023.

You must apply by Sunday 15th January 2023.

You need to apply online at www.southwark.gov.uk/schoolsadmission

Please try and find 6 **schools** for your application. Look at schools' websites and contact the schools' offices to find out about open days and visits.

Lots of schools will hold open days from October.

🎵 School Sing-a-Long 🎵

We would love for you to come and sing with your children during an afternoon. The Sing-a-ling will happen just after 3pm. **You can collect your child at 3pm and join in the singing.** If you can, please stay for 15 minutes or so with your child for the outdoor 'Sing-a-Long.' Staff will hand out lyrics of the songs and will lead the singing so that we altogether make a Big, Beautiful Kintore Way Community Sound!

Tuesday 18th October – 1st Part Week

Thursday 20th October – 2nd Part Week & Full-Time

You will be responsible for your child in the playground during the Sing-a-Long.

Children who attend during the morning only are welcome to come back to Kintore and join in the singing.

'SEND Coffee Morning'

We will be holding a session for parents are carers on Wednesday 16th November 9.15-10.15 a.m. We will talk about the primary school application process.

There will also be the opportunity for parents to get to meet each other. All parents and carers are welcome, especially those where children have an identified need or where you may have concerns regarding your child's development including; speech, communication, behaviour, physical skills.

Parent Conference Day

We are holding a parent conference day on **Wednesday 23rd November** when you will have an opportunity to talk about your child's learning and development with their key person.

There will be no nursery session and no extended day services – Breakfast and After School Club - on this day.

Further details about the parent conference will be shared later.

The Federation Board of Governors

We are sad to say goodbye to our Chair of Governors, Teresa Ali, who has resigned from her post. Teresa has been a governor for many years and we would like to thank her for her hard work and dedication to ensure the children receive the very best care and education. We will miss her valuable contribution to the Federation. Fayola Duncan, our Vice Chair will be responsible for the Chair's duties until elections take place.