



# St. Mark's CofE Nursery

## Weekly Newsletter w/b 15/10/18



### **This half term's theme is 'All about me'**

Our overarching topic this half term is 'All about me'. Our learning in Nursery is child-led and follows their interests and preferences. Some of the children have started to bring autumn leaves and conkers into nursery to share with the group. They are aware of the changing weather and have noticed new vegetables such as pumpkins in the shops. We have decided the children need more of an understanding of what happens at this time of year and so that they can continue to explore the changing of the seasons; we will focus their learning around 'All things autumn' next week. This will involve a range of learning experiences, including some food tasting. If your child has any allergies that you have not already told us about please inform a member of the Nursery staff.

### **Please help:**

As mentioned at the Harvest festival, we are collecting items such as toiletries and small toys for the shoe box appeal which will go to families who are less fortunate than ourselves in Ukraine.



### **Things to do at home:**

You could help your child to draw or paint a picture of a food that grows on a tree. You could use oranges, reds and browns to create an autumn picture.

We would love to see your creations in nursery.

As the weather changes, it is the perfect time for autumnal family walks. Simple things such as, encouraging your child to put on their own wellies and fasten their coat is an important part of their learning journey at this time of year. Collecting autumn items and talking about natural changes, such as the leaves changing colour helps children to learn new vocabulary, explore with their senses and understand the world around them. Please send in anything you find on your walk for our autumn display. We have lots of conkers already from your walks so thank you for these, they are being used in counting activities.

### **Special Events:**

Stay, Play and Learn – Thursday 25th October – for new starters. We will not have space for all new starters and parents on this session so we will be arranging another one for after half term. We will be sending letters out to invite parents, please can you let us know if you can attend or not.

Christmas Nativity – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December. More details to follow closer to the time.

**A big thank you to all the parents who came to watch our Harvest Festival, it was a fabulous turn out. We were very proud of how the children behaved and performed!**



Thanks again for all your support  
Clare Ruddock & the nursery team  
Nursery Teacher

