## **SEPTEMBER 2020**

#### LITTLE ACORNS STOGURSEY PRESCHOOL

## WELCOME BACK.

It feels like yesterday that the summer holidays began and now here we are just a week away from the start of Autumn and dare I say .... 102 days to Christmas (Sorry). It is good to be back, the sun is still shining, and it is lovely to welcome to our setting five new children, they have all settled in brilliantly and we look forward to getting to know them individually during the coming months.

# ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL

You have all received details of your Tapestry online journal login details which also includes a PIN Code for the App. If you are having trouble logging onto your child's journal, please let either Lianne or myself know and we will make sure the details are correct. If you have had the opportunity to log on, you will hopefully find at least one observation of your child or a number of photos from your child's week at preschool, often these are linked to your child's learning development linking to the Early Years Foundation Stage. We encourage you to share feedback or your own observations of your children's achievement or if your child has a particular interest as this can support our planning during the weeks. For more information on the Early Years Foundation Stage please see the following parents guide of the EYFS link:

https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2019/01/0778-What-to-Expect-When-2018.p



We would like to thankyou for your patience and support during our first week back after the summer holidays. We are working hard to meet government guidelines on keeping the children safe and washing hands and good hygiene practices are still very much in practice. We thankyou for your support.

### **'ALL ABOUT ME'**

To support the children's transition into preschool we would like to ask for photos of what might be important to your child. This might be photos of your family including you, grandparents, brothers and sisters etc., where you live and pets from goldfish to ponies. During circle time we will share these together, we will put them in your child's 'All about me' journal which your child can look at during the day. The photos will encourage your child to chat about what is important to them supporting areas of their communication and language development, as we chat about who is who etc., It will support their Personal Social and Emotional Development as they will come together as a group, take turns and listen to each other sharing experiences.

You can either print the photos or email the photos to <u>preschool316@educ.somerset.gov.uk</u> and I will be happy to print them off, photos will not be stored on any device it will be deleted once prints are made.

We look forward to sharing stories in the coming weeks and helping your child to settle in.

## Shapes, Letters and Numbers.

Colours, Numbers and Shapes are explored and talked about throughout the day during play and circle time. This term we will be focusing on the letter and sound S (for snake) for those children going to school in September.

> 'The Snake is in the grass The Snake is in the grass Ssss Ssss Ssss Ssss The Snake is in the grass' (To the tune farmers in the den)

