



Nursery Swans Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome to 2025- 26!

We hope you have had a wonderful holiday and are ready for an action packed year!

Hello, I am Miss Kelsall and I will be teaching Nursery Swans class this year. I would like to welcome all the new children, parents and carers to the Gainsborough family. I look forward to getting to know you all more and having a term full of exciting learning!

The EYFS Curriculum

There are 7 areas of the EYFS curriculum which we cover in our indoor and outdoor provision. These areas are:

Prime Areas

- Communication and Language
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development

Specific Areas

- Literacy (writing/reading)
- Maths
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

Key dates for your diary:

Monday 8th September- Nursery and Reception classes reopen

Friday 26th September- Swans Family Friday

Friday 10th October- Swans Family Friday

Friday 24th October - Swans Family Friday

Friday 24th October 2.45pm - Family Friday

Friday 24th October 3.30pm - BHM celebration

October half term 27th October- 31st October EYFS and Years 1 -6 Closure

Monday 3rd November INSET DAY Preschool, EYFS and Years 1-6

Tuesday 4th November- School reopens Preschool, EYFS and Years 1-6

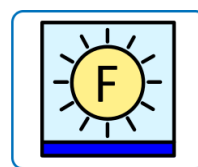
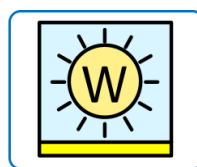
Our learnings this half term are based around the topics; All about me, My school community and Autumn.

We will explore what we like and dislike, self/co-regulate our emotions. In addition a focus on seasons and the festivals they include.




PE Kits

Class PE Day: **Monday and Friday**

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on **Mondays and Fridays**.



Reading	Writing
<p>Our core texts for this term are:</p> <p>Hello Friend So much! Lulu gets a cat</p> <div data-bbox="84 450 255 696"> </div> <div data-bbox="328 450 499 696"> </div> <div data-bbox="572 450 751 696"> </div> <p>Book packs</p> <p>We will be giving out reading book packs to children and family to read at home. This includes activities relevant to the story that supports children's writing and communication skills. Each book pack will be given out every Friday and should be returned on the following Tuesday.</p>	<p>We will have mark making opportunities in different areas of the provision. We will explore using different tools to make marks and begin to give meaning to them.</p> <p>Our mark making opportunities will focus on making simple marks such as circles, straight and wavy lines. We will do this using a variety of tools i.e. pens, crayons, pencils and chalk.</p> <div data-bbox="1018 611 1286 770"> </div>
Maths	Forest School
<p>In Nursery, the children will have opportunities to explore mathematical concepts in all areas of the provision.</p> <p>We will be focusing on developing fast recognition of up to 3 objects (subitising) then 5 objects. We will also learn about what is the same and different about collection of objects.</p> <div data-bbox="129 1568 711 1767"> </div>	<p>Forest School is a fantastic opportunity to learn outdoors. Children will need to come to school in suitable clothing as we learn the skills needed to be safe and successful at Forest School.</p> <p>Forest School will take place from week beginning: 15th September.</p> <p>Children will need wellington boots and puddle suits, our sessions will be on every Wednesday morning.</p> <div data-bbox="844 1648 1485 2072"> </div>

Tapestry	Family Fridays
<p>We will be using Tapestry, an online journal to document what your child's learning in class.</p> <p>In order to view your child's journal you will be invited via a school letter. You will need to download the family app to your phone (giving you access to your child's learning journal) and choose to be notified when new content is added. If your child has attended our 2 year old provision, you will already have access to Tapestry.</p> 	<p>We would like to invite you into our class to do activities with your child from 8:45-9:30am every other Friday.</p> <p>Our Family Friday dates for Swans are:</p> <p>Friday 26th September- Swans Family Friday: Come along and decorate a photo frame with us.</p> <p>Friday 10th October- Swans Family Friday: come along and make some 'people who help us puppets,' i.e. police officers, fire fighters, doctors.</p> <p>Friday 24th October - Swans Family Friday: come and make some animal themed pancakes with us.</p> 
Junk modelling and loose parts	Useful information
<p>We use a lot of natural resources in our play to provoke imagination and we would appreciate your help with recycling items for our junk modeling sessions, such as: water bottles, cardboard boxes, or any loose part items such as lids, corks, pinecones, pebbles and shells.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water bottles: Children do not need to bring a water bottle to school as we provide individual bottles in class. • Label uniforms and spare clothes: Please provide a spare change of clothes for your child and label the uniforms. • Clubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Breakfast clubs 8.00-8.45 ○ After school clubs 3.45-5.00 ○ Playcentre 5.00-6.00
<p>Please come and speak with me if you have any questions or concerns and I look forward to working with you all.</p>	
<p>Visit our website for dates, news and other information</p>	