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Dear Parent/Carer

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We are happy to see all of the Nursery children after the Summer Holidays. For many of you, your child is new to Greenfield Primary School Nursery this academic year. We would like to extend a very warm welcome to you and your child. Each term we send out a newsletter like this to update you on up-coming events and our current theme for learning for the children. We would also like to tell you how impressed we are with the children; they have had an excellent first week. The new children are settling well and the children who already attended Greenfield Nursery last year are helping their new friends settle in. We are proud of them all.

All about me/ colour theme:

This Autumn term we are getting to know many of the children and so we will spend the first fortnight learning through the theme 'All about me'. We will also be introducing a colour theme into the environment, so each week beginning from next week, the activities we set up will include the colour of the week. We tend to follow the colours of the rainbow so the first colour is red. As the weeks go on, the children enjoy using clues around the room on Monday to work out the new colour of the week. We will also display the colour of the week on the front door with an invitation for your child to bring something in that they have found at home of that colour for us to share at group time. We have many opportunities through the day for children to talk about themselves and important things from home often create opportunities for us to learn about your child, and for other children to learn from them.

Introducing Travelling Ted:

We are excited to introduce our Nursery class bear Travelling Ted. Each week, one of the children will be chosen to take him home for the weekend. Travelling Ted will be involved in our learning at Nursery, and will be 'looking out' for children who are trying their best all week with a view to choosing whose house he would like to go home to. Ted comes in his own suitcase with a diary for you to record your adventures as a family in. Photographs of your child with Travelling Ted are welcome but not compulsory. If your child is chosen to take Ted home for the weekend, please ensure he is returned to Nursery the following Monday so that we can read his diary together.

Spare clothes

Your child will need a change of clothes in a bag that can be kept on their peg at Nursery in case of any accidents. If your child is in nappies please also ensure you provide us with enough nappies, wipes and nappy bags each day. If your child is recently toilet trained, we will need plenty of clean clothes to keep them going whilst they settle in to their new routine. We ensure we remind the children to visit the toilet regularly at Nursery, but often when play is exciting, children can forget to go on time. This is all part of teaching and learning in Nursery and we are here to support your child with that if and when necessary.

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Your child needs a waterproof coat with them every day as we aim to access the outdoors every day, in all weathers. Please make sure you label whatever you can with your child's name to avoid mix-ups! Please also ensure your child has a labelled water bottle. This can be kept at Nursery if you wish as we wash and refill bottles daily for you.

Key worker groups

We usually allow the children a fortnight to settle before we choose key worker groups. If your child's key worker last year was Rebecca or Sarah, this will stay the same. If your child's key worker last year was Claire, Claire will be working in school this year, so your child will be allocated a new key worker.

Mrs Sue Hulme will be joining the Nursery team this year. Sue has worked at Greenfield Primary School for many years and is an experienced Early Years teaching assistant. The Nursery children will call her Sue. We will also have Jenny and Carrie working with us some of the time. Once the children are settled, we will be holding a parent's evening to discuss how your child is getting on. Further information about Parent's evening will be sent home in due course. Please feel free to contact me if there is ever anything you wish to notify me of. Otherwise, a member of Nursery staff is on-hand at the beginning and end of each session for you to pass on any messages or share concerns.

Nursery Fees

If you pay for your child's Nursery fees, we ask you pay each week by the end of the week. Cheques are made payable to OMBC.

We are looking forward to supporting your child in their learning this term.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely

Mrs Rebecca Mubiru
Nursery Manager