

Dear Parents,

Our first integrated learning unit is called 'All About Me' which focuses on learning about ourselves. By the end of the unit, each child will have put together a collection of 'Things About Me' which they will have added to over the coming weeks. This will be shared with their peers, adults around the school and their families. This topic is broken down into four smaller themes which are:

When I was a baby: Through this theme we will be looking at pictures of ourselves as babies and guessing who's who! We will be studying ourselves and creating self portraits as well as looking after babies in the home corner role play area.



My Family and Growing up: We will talk about our families, look at how people grow and think about the changes that we have been through since we were babies.

My Body: We will recognise and name different parts of our bodies and sing lots of action songs. We will also talk about how to keep our bodies healthy.

My Senses: This theme allows us to explore our senses and carry out lots of investigations. We will carry out a senses walk around the school, explore and add to our sensory garden and think about some of our favourite tastes and smells.

During this half term we will also:

- Begin learning to read and write the set one letter sounds, through our Phonics lessons, using the 'Read, Write, Inc.' Phonics programme.
- In maths, through play and adult led focus groups, we will learn to count and sort, recognise and create patterns, recognise shapes and find one more and one less,
- Make new friends and develop our existing friendships, sharing and taking turns, as well as learning our class routines and rules - developing our independence and sense of responsibility.
- Develop our speaking, understanding, listening and attention skills.
- Explore our outdoor areas and take part in PE sessions to develop our physical skills.



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How Parents Can Help At Home



* Daily reading sessions. Read a story to your child, point to each word as you read them, talk about what is happening in the pictures, encourage your child to find sounds and words that they might recognise.

* Support your child practising holding a pencil correctly and writing their name.

* Use the home school phonics sheets to practise saying and writing the daily sound.

* Ask your child to find numbers and patterns at home or when out and about.

Notices and Dates

**** Please could you bring in a named baby picture of your child as soon as possible for us to add to our display? In the past the children have enjoyed sharing their photos and guessing who's who! ****

Monday 10th – Friday 14th September – children stay for lunch until 1.15pm.

Monday 17th September onwards – children stay all day until 3.15pm.

If you wish to contact me by email, my school address is **C.Evans@wellow.hants.sch.uk**. Replies will be made during working hours.

We will be sharing photos and observations of your child's learning with you via 'Tapestry'. Our class blog is also available to view through the school website.

Please remember to check the noticeboard just inside the classroom door for other notices and reminders.

