

Dear Parents and Children, Welcome to Nursery!

We have been so pleased to see all the children begin to settle into our Nursery routines. We know this can be an anxious time for you and your child. If they have been unsettled when they start, we will always give you a call to let you know how they have settled. If you would like to contact us if you have any concerns or questions, please speak to a member of the team or you can use our email EYFS@st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk

Our topic for this term is:

All About Me



The books we will be using are:

- Ten little fingers and ten little toes Mem Fox
- Owl Babies, Martin Waddell and Patrick Benson
- Boris starts school, By Carrie Weston
- So much, Trish Cooke

Our Author of the Term:

Eric Carle



We will be sharing stories by this author and finding out more about him. Please talk to your child about the different books we are sharing in Nursery and please send in any stories you have at home for us to share together!

The areas we will be covering are:

- Becoming more independent to use the toilet.
- Coming into Nursery and selecting activities independently.
- Talking about our families
- Talking about our body- naming parts of the body.
- Talking about our senses and what we use them for.
- Talking about our likes and dislikes.

To help us with this topic we would like you to:

- **We will give your child a book each week to share with you at home- please comment and sign in the reading record each time you read with them at home. Please keep them in the school bag so we can change them regularly.**
- Talk to your child each day about what they have done at Nursery.
- Support and encourage them to be independent at home and at Nursery.

Family Learning Project - Due by Friday 24th September

Please send in a family photograph that your child can talk about and we can display in Nursery. Please hand to a member of the team or send to EYFS@st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk

Signed: Mrs Sapiano, Mrs Bergman & Miss Ballard
(The Nursery Team)

Important Reminders

Please ensure your child has their own bottle of water each day at Nursery. Please ensure the bottle is **clearly named**.



Please ensure you send in the **St Peter's school book bag only**, we cannot store larger rucksacks. Please send in the bag every day so we can issue and change reading books and pass on important letters from school.



We have a couple of children in Nursery with **severe allergies**. **Please ensure you do not put any nuts or nut containing foods in your child's packed lunch.** Please do not send your child into Nursery eating food from breakfast or with extra snacks as these can make other children very ill and we need to be aware where all food items are in the Nursery environment. Please also remind your child about the importance of not sharing food with other children at any time.

Please also slice any grapes provided in a packed lunch box as these can also be harmful, if swallowed whole.

We understand that some of the children are just at the beginning stages of being toilet trained and we are happy to support with this. Please ensure you keep working on this at home as well as in Nursery and please provide plenty of changes of clothes, if your child is likely to have accidents.

The general expectation is that children should be out of nappies and toilet training at 3 years old. We do not have enough staff or the appropriate facilities to change children in nappies in our St Peter's Nursery. Please speak to a member of staff if your child has additional needs which would prevent them from toilet training at this time. We appreciate your support on this matter.