



Central Street Infants and Nursery School
EYFS Class Newsletter
September 2023

Dear Families,

I would like to begin by saying welcome to all the new children and families who have joined us this year and welcome back to those who have returned to Valley Class for another exciting year of learning together.

We will begin this half term with the learning question '**Who am I?**'. We will read books such as 'What makes me a me?' and 'I like bees but I don't like honey' as we explore what makes each one of us unique and special. We will also learn about, where we live, who we live with and our extended families. We will learn about things our friends enjoy doing with their families and learn to respectfully discuss similarities and differences between families. We will also have lots of fun getting to know each other, building new friendships and learning how to be a good friend. Following on from this we will explore a further learning question '**Who are the people that help us?**' where we will learn about a variety of people in the community that help us, for example learning about who can help us to keep our bodies healthy, and who can help us in an emergency. For more information about our topic please see the attached curriculum overview.

As part of our theme we would be grateful if you could share a family photograph with us so that we will be able to discuss and display it in our classroom, these can be emailed into school at admin@centralstreet.calderdale.sch.uk or sent via ClassDojo.

How can you help?

Voluntary fund

In Valley class we ask if parents can voluntarily donate £1 per week towards a fund for the children. This fund is used to provide the children with extra healthy snack to enjoy alongside their daily fruit snack, purchase ingredients for cooking and baking and to provide additional sensory experiences.

Outdoor Clothing

The weather is always unpredictable at this time of the year. Please ensure that children come to school dressed appropriately as they will have opportunities to play outside whatever the weather! Children are encouraged to bring named wellies which can be left at school and a change of clothes is always advised in the event of some overenthusiastic puddle splashing!

PE Kits and Book Bags

The Foxes (our Reception aged children) will be taking part in weekly PE sessions this year. Please ensure that they have a named P.E Kit to keep in school on their peg. PE kit consists of a white t-shirt and black/navy shorts.

Shortly, the Foxes will be bringing reading books home to share. Please ensure that these children have a book bag to keep their book and reading record clean and safe. Please try to read these books together at least 3 times a week and sign the reading record each time you have read with your child. **Reading books will be taken in on Thursdays and a new one will be sent home on Fridays.** Library books will continue to be changed on Fridays.

On Wednesdays all children will have the opportunity to take part in physical activities to develop their gross motor skills. Please ensure they come to school on Wednesdays in clothes appropriate for jumping, dancing and climbing.

If you have any questions please come and see a member of the Foundation Team, we are always happy to help if we can.

Mrs Leicester and Ms Stott

