



The Lime Trees at Arnold View

September 2019

Welcome back! We hope that you had a fun filled summer holiday! A special welcome to our new starters!

Last term we were busy getting creative and looking at animals, stoneage people, different cultures, having a Mad Hatters tea party, woodworking and turning the hall into an aeroplane for a holiday themed week. We are now looking forward to trying more unusual topics to celebrate this term.

About our lovely team

The team have been very busy taking courses during the summer. Tracy has completed her SEN Code of Practice, Autism Awareness, Challenging Behaviour as well as certificates in Radicalisation, Honor Base Violence, Self-Harm & Suicide and a Safeguarding refresher. Maggie, Kath and Sue have completed all courses with the exception of Autism Awareness.

Action Plan




Our focus for the Autumn term will be to look at the new inspection framework as there are new changes on how Ofsted now inspect settings. Our focus for the Autumn term will be to ensure that staff understand the new curriculum. We will also be supporting staffs use of rich vocabulary and the importance of reading in settings and at home.

We are also focusing on the wider safeguarding issues such as child exploitation, breast ironing and County lines.

As mentioned in 'Tips at Home', there will be a strong focus in children reading at home and internet safety.

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Tips and activities at home

We have set the children a challenge to help us with our new display "Get Caught Reading, to find the most unusual place to read a book. So far, the most interesting place has been in a tree! Please continue to support us with this by sending in your photos for the board.

Our focus for September and October is going to be around internet safety. Please see the setting manager for information on how to keep your child safe at home. Information is available on social media platforms and on our website. Please see the NSCPP

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Upcoming events and Notices

We are planning to expand our Early years area to help our new starters get the best experience they can. This is still in progress and is expected to be ready a few weeks into the new term as we source the most relevant toys. With Autumn on the horizon we aim to focus on nature and seasons and will be spending more time outside, hopefully digging and using our forest school.

Dates for the Diary: 14th Oct - Baking Week
27th Oct - Diwali Week
31st Oct - Halloween

You Spoke: We listened

You spoke: Could we have unusual fruit tasting again at tea.....

We Listened: Weekly we have a fruit to try that they may not have had before.

Comments from parents

"You do some really different kinds of crafts with them, where do you get your imagination from?"

"He can't wait to come here full time as he really does love it here. He has such a fun time"

"Thank you for all of your care and support last year, it really meant a lot"