### **Ambleside Academy**



# **Nursery Autumn 1 News**

#### Topic:

This half term our Nursery topic is 'This Is Me', where we will be thinking carefully about what we look like, what we like and dislike, who lives with us and what we enjoy doing with our families. We have already began our topic by producing some wonderful collage self-portraits, and using the loose parts to make faces.

As we begin to look at who we live with we would very much appreciate it if you could bring in a photo of your family. You can send this to us on Class Dojo if you would prefer.

Towards the end of the half term we will finish off our topic by going on a walk around our Local Area. We will discuss what we have seen on our walk and make our own maps of the area. How exciting!

**Our targets are:** To talk about ourselves and our families using full sentences. To start a conversation with an adult or a friend and keep the conversation going for many turns.

#### Phonics work this half term:

The children have a daily Phonics session in their small groups. This half term we are focusing on developing our early Phonics skills, listening to and identifying the different household and animal sounds, clapping the syllables in different words, and identifying rhyming words.

We will also sing familiar songs and rhymes each day. We will ensure we send home a copy of the 'rhyme of the week' each Friday so that you and your child can practice it together over the weekend ready for the following week.

#### Our targets are:

To identify familiar sounds.

To spot and suggest rhymes.

To count or clap syllables in a word.

To recite familiar songs and rhymes.



## Class Dojo

We update Class Dojo most days, adding photos of what the children have been doing as well as reminders and ideas for things you could do with your child at home.

Please feel free to message us on Class Dojo at any time. We aim to respond promptly to any messages.



## **Tapestry**

Tapestry will be up and running soon. You will be able to look at what your child has been learning in school, and add photos of what they have been doing at home. Please look out for a notification.



### **Mathematics**

### Mathematics work this half term:

This half term in Maths we will be focusing on a 'Number of the Week'. This will help us to recognise the numbers, write the numbers, and gain an understanding of which number comes before and after it. We will also focus on verbally counting to 10 and beyond, comparing different quantities and matching a numeral and quantity with accuracy.

We have already looked at patterns, making our own patterns using different body parts (such as eyes, nose, eyes, nose). We will now move on to ordering 2 or 3 people by height and naming different 2D shapes and using them to make different pictures.

#### Our targets are:

To verbally count to 10 and beyond.

To begin to match a numeral and a quantity with accuracy. To compare quantities, using 'more than' and 'fewer than'.

### Reminders

- Homework: Homework will be given out every Friday and usually consists of an optional challenge, which you and your child can do together.
- Reading Books: Children will choose a new reading book, to read at home with you, each Friday. Please could you ensure it is brought back each Friday to be changed.
- <u>PE:</u> We will have PE with Mr Edwards each Monday and Thursday. Please ensure your child wears black jogging bottoms, a white top and a black jumper on this day.
- <u>Labelling:</u> Please could you make sure that your child's belongings are named. It makes it a lot easier for us to reunite items with their owners.

## **Diary Dates**

19.09.22 – Running Week. We plan to run a mile each day.

23.09.22 - Wear it Gold Day

26.09.22 - Jeans for Genes Day

05.10.22 - Parent's Evening

