



# QUEENSWAY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## Welcome Back!

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year to you all. We are looking forward to getting started with Term 3 in Nursery and welcoming our new Robins that will be joining us. We are all very excited and hope you are too!

### Sessions

Can I please remind you of our session times:

Morning session 8.30 -11.30am

Afternoon session 12.00 - 3.00pm

30 hours 9.00 - 3.00pm

We finish at 3.00pm to allow you time to collect siblings from around the school, please ensure nursery children are collected first.

### Topic

Our topic this term is called '**Paws, Claws and Whiskers**' where we will be focusing our learning around different pets and caring for them, we will be turning our role play area into our very own pet shop!

#### Literacy

This term the children will be listening and encouraged to join in with talking about characters and the settings within our stories, 'The great pet sale and 'Hairy Maclary'. They will also be developing their mark making skills with a variety of tools and will be giving meaning to the marks they make.

As a class we will be continuing with our Little Wandle phonics and learning even more initial sounds.

#### Mathematics

This term in Maths, the children will practise their counting 1-10 in a range of contexts and will understand that claps and jumps, can be counted too. We will be developing our awareness of numerals in the environment and will begin to match them to groups of objects. The children will also have fun learning about different 2D shapes and feeding them to our hungry shape monsters.

#### Personal, Social, Emotional Development (PSED)

This term the children will continue to build on friendships they have already formed and making new ones as we welcome more children to the class. They will also be learning different ways in which they can keep themselves safe inside and outside.

### Wellies

Our outside area can become quite muddy as the weather continues to change. The children enjoy free flow throughout their school day; therefore, we strongly encourage the children to wear wellies when they are learning outside. Wellies can be left in school and should be clearly labelled with your child's name. We will go outside in all weathers so please ensure that children have a good waterproof coat in wet weather too.

### Evidence Me

It has been so wonderful to see parents' comments on our Evidence Me observations as well as lots of uploads of home observations. We really enjoy receiving these and I know how much the children enjoy showing everyone during our carpet sessions about things they have achieved or experienced so please keep them coming!

### Ways you can help your child

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of sharing books with your child every day. We are passionate about reading and we know just how important it is to instil a love 'of reading for pleasure' into our children. Talking about the books you share will really help them develop a love of reading and important early reading skills. We will be sending books home weekly in bookbags so you can share them together and return the following week for another.

**Named clothing/spare clothing**

Could all children have a spare set of clothes including underwear and socks as accidents do happen. We will also continue to enjoy lots of messy activities.

Finally, please can I remind you to visit our blog at: <https://classroom.google.com> This is a great way to find out what we have been learning and celebrating our achievements throughout the week.

Another exciting and busy term to look forward to in Nursery. Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to talk to us at drop off or collection.

Best wishes,

Mrs Robinson  
Nursery Leader