

# Hazelbury Primary School

## Nursery News Autumn One

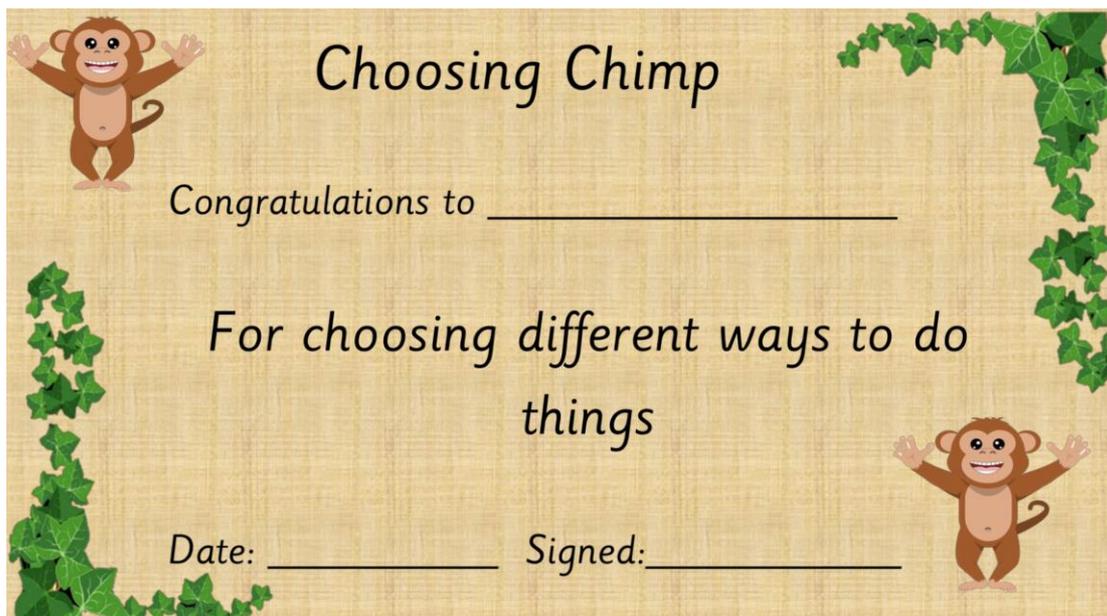


We are delighted to welcome all of the children to Nursery! They have all settled well and are enjoying building relationships with their new friends and their new teachers, and learning the routines and expectations of the setting.

During this half term our topic will be 'What Makes Me, Me?' We will be looking at photographs of our family and talking about our similarities and differences, and where we come from. We will discuss what their likes and dislikes are, and exploring our senses through tasting different foods and going on listening walks. We will look at the different ways in which we move, observing changes in our bodies after we exercise, as well as identifying our body parts and ways in which to look after our bodies, such as healthy eating, and good hygiene. Outside we will be learning how to use the new resources and how to look after our property whilst following the rules and school values and keeping safe. We do go outside whatever the weather so please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the weather, e.g. raincoats and bring in wellies. We are also fortunate enough to be having Little City Enfield coming to visit with their amazing role-play for us to engage in developing our communication and language through play.

### Celebrating Achievements:

In the Early Years we focus on how the children learn and the skills they use, such as exploring and investigating, making their own choices, and making links in their learning. We will be celebrating these skills and choosing two children a week to award certificates to and they will look like the example below.



## **Why Not Try This at Home?!**

During this topic you might like to take a walk in the park and talk about the autumnal colours you can see, the different sounds you can hear, such as the crunchy leaves, and so on. You could get creative and make some paper plate faces and talk about your facial features. Some nice books linked to our 'Ourselves' topic that you might enjoy reading together include: 'The Colour Monster', 'All Are Welcome', and 'The Invisible String'. Don't forget to upload any photographs of you doing fun things onto Tapestry for us all to see!

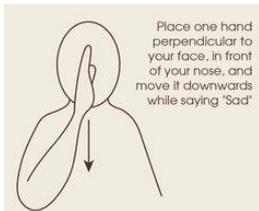
## **Top Tips for Talking:**

This half term's top tips:

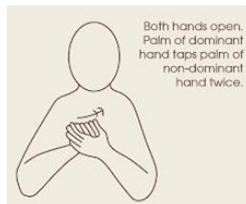
- 1) Share books together – interactive books with flaps or different textures are really great.
- 2) Give your child time – they might need more time than you think to answer questions or follow instructions, so give them an extra few seconds to do this.
- 3) Younger children might find it difficult to tell you about their day at school. To support them, try giving choices like "did you paint a picture or play on the swings?" or ask "tell me one good thing that happened today". You could say one good thing about your day too, just to get the conversation going.

## **Makaton Signs:**

In Nursery we use sign language as another means of communication with your children. Please see this half term's signs linked to our theme. Why not practise these with your children at home?



Sad



Happy



Angry

## **Key Info:**

As you know, children's interests, preferences, routines and developments change rapidly. Every half term we will be asking you to please take a moment to update the 'About Me' information on your child's Tapestry account. This will enable us to keep up-to-date about what is going on in your child's life and incorporate their interests into our planning. Tapestry is up and running now so please let us know if you are having any problems accessing it. Please send spare clothes in with your children to leave in their lockers in case of a toileting accident, as well as a clearly labelled water bottle. Please also write your child's name in their jumpers.

2<sup>nd</sup> October – Bring Your Grown Up on an Autumn Walk

17<sup>th</sup> October – Little City Enfield

## **Where Can You Find Us?**

If you would like to keep up to date with what is happening within school then you can find us using the apps and website below.



Instagram Username:  
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School Website:  
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