



Carle Class Newsletter



Reminders



- Please ensure all your child's uniform is clearly labelled with their name, including gloves. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Children in Early Years spend a lot of time learning outside. During the winter weather, please ensure your child brings an all-in-one puddle suit, a warm coat, a hat and some gloves to school each day. They should also have a bag with **2 sets of spare clothes** in school at all times.
- We encourage and support the children to be independent in their self-care, especially with putting their shoes and coat on / taking them off. Some fastenings can cause lots of frustration for children, so we ask that children wear velcro fastening shoes that they can take on/off easily.
- We continue to update our class page on the school website. Please check our page each week to share in our achievements, see what we have been learning about in school and find out ways that you can support learning at home!
<https://www.crossgatesprimary.co.uk/nursery-4/>
- If your child is due to start school in September 2023, you can apply online until **15th January**. If you need any help with your application, please urgently speak to Miss Harrison.



Tapestry



Tapestry is a great platform to share and celebrate the achievements of your child. We encourage you to upload your own photos and videos. The children are always very excited for us to see their photos from home. We would love you to share some photos from the Christmas period so that the children can revisit and talk about their experiences. Thank you in advance for your support!



Project Led Learning



In Nursery, we place 'observation' at the heart of assessment, to allow children to lead the learning and inspire 'in the moment' and future planning. We foster a 'project led' learning approach, where teachers are partners, nurturers and guides, and help facilitate the exploration of children's interests. We recognise project work presents many opportunities for young children's ideas to be valued, their creativity to be encouraged, their interests to be nurtured, and for their learning needs to be met. We are currently facilitating a child led project all about wheels. We are looking forward to seeing where the children's interests will lead the learning!

Learning and teaching should not stand on opposite banks and just watch the river flow by; instead they should embark together on a journey down the water.
Loris Malaguzzi

Favourite 5 and Virtual Library!

Each half term, we will be reading 5 key texts – This half term, our 'Favourite 5' books are:



Where the Wild Things Are
The Gruffalo's Child
The Lion Inside
Love Grows Everywhere



There's No Such Thing as a Dragon

You can listen to Miss Harrison and Miss Jessop read these stories on our virtual library.
<https://cross-gates-primary.secure-primariesite.net/spring-1-5/>



Reading Cafe and Stay and Play



We would like to continue to invite you to our weekly Reading Cafés, which will be every Monday and Thursday 2:45-3:15pm. They will recommence the week beginning 15th January. It has been wonderful to welcome many families each week. Our next Stay and Play session will be on Thursday 8th February at 2:00pm. We look forward to you joining us at these events!

