



## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Welcome to the start of a new academic year. We are only two days in but have already welcomed in lots of new children who have made a fantastic start to their Flying Start journey. We are so pleased to have you all. We were also delighted to see our returning children who came in and quickly got down to the serious business of catching up with friends and staff! We are looking forward to a term filled with lots of fun activities, sharing special moments and watching the children progress and thrive. Over the next two weeks we will be focusing on getting to know each other, resettling into nursery routine and will begin our theme of All About Me.

### Drop off and collection routine

- . Water bottles and lunch boxes to be placed in the baskets by the brick wall. Please take water bottles out of backpacks.
- . There will also be a crate for returning library books. Please place the book folder in the crate if you would like your child to choose a new book. The 'library' system will begin next week.
- . Please approach the door to drop off one at a time. This allows staff to greet each child, take any short messages and ensure that they enter the building safely.
- . If you need to speak to a member of staff in more detail, please do let us know and as soon as we have let the children in we will be free to talk with you. Staff are also available at collection time if that is a more convenient time for you to talk with them.
- . Please let us know if somebody else will be picking up your child. Please ensure that they know the password as we are unable to let a child go without this information.
- . Please approach the door one at a time when collecting. Children love to see their grown ups at the end of the day but it is essential that they get used to waiting to hear their name called so that we can ensure each one is safely handed over.

### Uniform for sale

**We have plenty of t-shirts and sweatshirts for sale. (sizes 1-2 yrs and 3-4yrs). Please ask a member of staff if you would like to purchase any items.**

**T-shirts: £10.25      Sweatshirt: £12.25**

If you have recently started to receive funding for your child, we will need to see ID for them. This can be a passport or birth certificate. Please show this to Michelle or Lizzie. Thank you.

### **Family Photo Board.**

We have a family photo board where children can see and easily access their family photo. This is a great way to talk about their special family members, offers a source of comfort to many children and teaches them about the similarities and differences between us all. Please send in a photo of your family to display. (Non-precious photos only).

### **Parent rep.**

We have a lovely parent community at Flying Start and we truly value the support that we receive from you all. To help us we have always had a parent rep whose role is to share information with parents (usually through the parents WhatsApp group), be the voice of the parents and to possibly organize meet ups and play dates. We are looking for someone who would like to take on this role, or possibly share it with someone else. Please speak to Michelle if you are interested.