



### Quetta Park Preschool September Newsletter

Welcome back to preschool everyone we hope that you have all had a brilliant summer. We would like to say a big hello to all the new families that have joined us. It has been lovely this week to welcome you all once again into the building after the Covid pandemic. Hopefully things are now getting back to normal for us all. All the staff are very excited to be back and are planning some exciting activities over the coming weeks.

#### **Preschool Library**

Next week we will be introducing the children to our lending library and supporting them to choose a book and then take it home to share with you for a week. This is an invaluable experience for the children not only for communication and language skills, but it also prepares them for the library service once they go on to school.

#### **Changes to the Early Years Curriculum**

As many of you know The Early Years Curriculum has recently been updated by the Department of Education. To reflect these changes we have decided that we will not be continuing to use the online Learning Journal Tapestry. As a team we have thought very hard of the summer holidays about our information sharing partnership with parents and carers and to reflect the update we have decided to introduce Memory Books for each child which will be available for you to look at each day when you drop off. Memory books will contain photos, drawings, comments and quotes from your child which will be linked to their learning and development. This is very much a holistic approach in sharing information where the child is involved with on a day-to-day basis. We will continue to share daily activities via our Facebook page and of course our daily conversations with you. If you would like to read more on the Early Years Curriculum please visit Early Years Alliance who have an interesting information on the changes.

## **Moving on**

We would like to share with you some exciting news that Margaret has been given the opportunity to work for Home Start and will be leaving the preschool at the end of next week to take up the role. Margaret has been at Quetta Park for nearly two years and during this time has worked tirelessly to make the preschool an interesting and fun place for the children. I know that Margaret will stay in touch with us and continue to support us in different ways. We would like to wish Margaret lots of luck in her new job, she will be greatly missed by us all.

Once our numbers have increased, we will be recruiting a new member of staff to join our team. If you have any family or friends looking for childcare, please let them know we are here.

Thank you all for your continuing support we couldn't do it without you.

Karen, Margaret, Leah and Davena