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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to see how settled the children have been this week. Within minutes of locking the gate I am so proud to see all of them busy learning in their group. Soon we will be recording a zoom video explaining more about how sessions are organised and what the morning/daily routine looks like. This will give you a greater insight into what they actually do after they disappear into the Nursery doors!

### **Welcome back Ms Sear!**

We are delighted to announce that Ms Sear is back with us! She returned on Thursday and has been working alongside me with the Hedgehogs. Mrs Kent, Ms Sear and I will work as a team until half-term so that the children get to know Ms Sear really well as their key person. Ms Sear it is lovely to have you back!

### **Wellies**

In the wet weather it is tempting to send your child to school in wellies. However, it can be very uncomfortable for them to wear these for three hours and more. They can be a bit cumbersome indoors and they can tread lots of leaves and mud in from the garden. Please ensure that you have a pair of wellies in school for your child (with their name in and kept in their welly bag on the welly pegs outside) but send them in with shoes. This means that all children can wear shoes indoors and we can help them put their wellies on outdoors.



### **Car Parking**

Now that we are up to a full complement of staff and the NHS are back in the building, the car park at the bottom is for staff members only. Please refrain from parking here and park on the turning circle instead. A big thank you for being so patient with both parking and queuing outside at the start of each session and at pick up-it is really appreciated.



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### **Sign of the Week**

This week the sign of the week is 'Sing'



### **Children's Independence**

Children need to remove trousers/coats/shoes for a number of reasons at Nursery:

- Toileting
- Going outside/coming inside
- Putting on and taking off wellies
- Putting on and taking off waterproofs

Please support us to support your child by ensuring that they have:

- Clothing they can remove easily (no fiddly buttons or belts)
- Shoes with Velcro (no laces)

### **Suggested activity for home**

With the wetter weather arriving children will be taking their shoes off and putting their wellies on. If they cannot take their shoes off and put them on themselves, they have to wait for an adult. Help your child to develop independence with this and help them to speed up in the changing area! Practice when you have a quiet moment-make it fun by timing them then seeing if they can beat their last time!

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards  
**Hayley Yendell**