

Autumn 2020 – Termly Topic Update



September 2020

We hope that you have enjoyed your first few days back at Evergreen nursery and would like to take this opportunity to wish a very warm welcome to both our new and existing Maple room children and their families, it is lovely to see you all!

As practitioners we are really excited to be opening our doors again and it has been wonderful seeing all of our lovely children settling back in. We know things have been a bit different lately and that there have been a few necessary changes that have had to be made to ensure everybody's safety. Things can initially feel a little bit confusing, but we would like to take this opportunity to assure you that as educators we are always here to listen and help in whatever capacity we can. We are happy to answer any questions or concerns that you may have and we will always be waiting to greet you with a smile and a cheery wave.

Although we have been staying at home and keeping ourselves safe, the staff at Evergreen have all been thinking of ways to capture your children's imaginations and make your arrival just a little bit more exciting. Did you spot our new residents outside the entrance? we have an enchanted village...keep a lookout for new additions and watch out for low flying fairies.

Learning- In Maple room our learning is planned in response to your child's interests and individual schemas. This is achieved by adapting our environment to capture the children's natural curiosity and imagination. Some of our activities have included our role play area being transformed into an ice cream parlour, a florist and a veterinary practice. We have been on listening walks, explored lights and created areas for construction, dinosaurs and spaceships. Within play we encourage the use of authentic loose parts and natural objects to ensure that all curious minds are continuously being developed and that all children's play is valued and meaningful.

Our rainbow values

R- Resilient

A-Adventurous

I-Imaginative

N-New experiences

B-Brave

O-Observant

W-Wonder

Outdoor area

We have been working really hard to keep our outside area exciting and engaging for your little explorers. We have created a den area with fairy lights and hidden insects and animals... we plan to go on an insect hunt, and have many an outdoor story session.



We aim to explore and play outside all year round but with the continuously changing weather and temperatures, we kindly ask you to provide your child with the following:

- A named water bottle
- A change of clothes, including socks
- wellington boots (for puddle jumping)
- A waterproof coat
- A sun hat



We also kindly ask that on warm days you apply any sun cream either before or upon arrival.

We love to spend time together on the carpet and believe it is a wonderful opportunity for the children, to share information about themselves, their families and about things they like to do. We love to sing together and we all join in with the actions especially five little speckled frogs and we all go travelling by....

Maple room Staff

- **Miss Williams**
Room leader (Term time only)
- **Miss Lockwood**
Deputy room leader
- **Miss Hawkins**
- **Miss Hoptroff**
- **Miss Reynolds**
- **Miss Boast**
Early Years practitioners



Autumn Term Key Dates

Half Term:
October 26th-30th 2020
Maple Room remains open.

As we start a new school term, we are keen to share dates for the year ahead. We aim to be as creative as possible to ensure that we share your child's learning experiences with you in a safe way.

Initially, instead of cancelling dates, we will be choosing to inform you of upcoming dates and details as soon as we can confirm more.

Rainbow Challenges

Brave - can you say goodbye to your grown up at the door and come into Maple room with a big cheery hello for your friends

Imaginative - maybe you can think of somewhere that you have enjoyed exploring with your family, we can talk about it during circle time

Feel free to share these soon through your new Showbie classroom!



Don't forget to tell us if your child has a wow moment at home, we love to celebrate all achievements

