



QUEENSWAY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Welcome Back!

Happy new year to you all! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. We are excited to be back and are looking forward to getting started with what we know will be a busy and fun term 3 in Nursery. We would also like to welcome new Robins to the class.

Sessions

Can I please remind you of our session times.

Morning session	8.30 - 11.30am
Afternoon session	12.00 - 3.00pm
30 hours	9.00 - 3.00pm

Topic

Our topic this term is called '**Vroom, vroom, things with wheels**' where we will be focusing our learning around different vehicles, how they move and the marks in which they make in different textures. We are looking forward to changing our home corner into a bus station – '**All aboard!**'

Literacy
This term the children will be listening and encouraged to join in with talking about characters and the settings within our stories ' Mr Grumpy's motor car ' and ' The naughty bus '. They will also be developing their mark making skills further with a variety of tools and will be giving meaning to the marks they make. As a class we will be continuing with our Little Wandle phonics and learning even more sounds.
Mathematics
This term in Maths, the children will practise their counting 1-10 in a range of contexts and will understand that things which cannot be moved, such as claps or jumps, can be counted too. We will be developing our awareness of numerals in the environment and will begin to match them to groups of objects. The children will also have fun learning about different 2D shapes and feeding them to our hungry shape monsters
Personal, Social, Emotional Development (PSED)
The children will continue to build on friendships they have already formed and develop new ones as we welcome more children to the class. They will also be learning different ways in which they can keep themselves safe inside and outside.

Wellies

Our outside area can become quite muddy as the weather continues to change. The children enjoy free flow throughout their school day; therefore, we strongly encourage the children to wear wellies when they are learning outside. Wellies can be left in school and should be clearly labelled with your child's name. We will go outside in all weathers so please ensure that children have a good waterproof coat in wet weather too.

Evidence Me

It has been so wonderful to see parents' comments on our Evidence Me observations as well as lots of uploads of home photo observations. We really enjoy receiving these and I know how much the children enjoy showing everyone during carpet sessions about things they have achieved or experienced so please keep them coming!

Ways you can help your child

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of sharing books with your child every day. We are passionate about reading and we know just how important it is to instil a love of reading for pleasure into our children. Talking about the books you share will really help them develop a love of reading and important early reading skills. We will be sending books home every Friday in bookbags so you can share them together and return the following week for another.

Named clothing/spare clothing

Could all children have a spare set of clothes including underwear and socks as accidents do happen. We also enjoy lots of messy play too!

Finally, please can I remind you to visit our blog at: <https://classroom.google.com> This is a great way to find out what we have been learning and celebrating our achievements throughout the week.

Another exciting and busy term to look forward to in Nursery. Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to talk to us at drop off or collection.

Best wishes,

Miss Maskell
Nursery Leader