**ACTIVITIES AT HOME**

**BROOK GREEN NURSERY**

**PERIOD FROM**: **02/09/2019 TO 18/10/2019**

**Dear Parents/ Carers:**

**Firstly, we hope everyone had had an incredible super holiday! We would like to take this opportunity to welcome back all parents who were with us last term, as well as new parents who will start with us this September.**

**Our Topic for this period is**:

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Settling in / All About Me/ My Family \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **The areas we will be covering are:**  **Personal Social and Emotional Development:**  • Settling in period for new children with returnees modelling Golden Rules.  Children becoming familiar with routines and boundaries.  **Celebration:** Black History Month **(October)**  **Literacy:**  Distinguishes between the different marks they make.  Visit to the Library;  **Books:** The Little Yellow Leaf/We’re going on a Leaf hunt/ The Enormous Turnip  Story in other languages (partnership with parents)  **Mathematic**   * Reciting number names in order / sorting, matching, counting, * Counting songs and rhymes   **Understanding of the World:**   * Change of season, * Animals hibernating   **Physical Development:**  Turns pages in a book, sometimes several at once.   * Outdoor play/ climbing/ Riding/ running / Mud Kitchen * Constructions game * Puzzles   **Expressive Arts and Design:**   * Role play – Home corner/ * Cooking with parent or staff * Dressing up |
| **Your child will: learn about:**   * Settling in Old and new children * New beginnings: Settle children into the nursery environment * Develop relationship with the children and their parents / carers * Playdough: Cutting and sticking/ Making models * Maintaining attention: Story /cycle times * Comparing sizes: using appropriate language (big, small, tall, short etc...) * Learn about numbers * Days and letter of the Week * Makaton signs |
| **Your child will need your support in exploring this topic at home. Our Suggested activities are:**   * Discussion about their Day at the nursery * Discussion about Autumn (Leaf changing colours; weather) * Reading books about Autumn * Days and letters of the week * Counting songs and rhymes * Makaton signs |
| * **If anyone has time and would like to join us, please let us know. You are more than welcome to come in and do a story session, music/dance session or even cooking** |
| * **Reminders** **Please, remember to bring in pull up’s and wipes for your child. Also, spare clothes.** * **There are bags already provided with every peg. These bags are to stay in the nursery.** * **Please, all children must come in through the main door.** * **Parents, please make sure to sign in/out your child. It is very important in case of emergency.** |
| * **Pet at Home:** * Every Friday, one child would have the pleasure to look after our pet (Fluffy) at home during the week-end. Fluffy will have to be returned on Monday with the necessary information (see booklet). Please, help your child look after Fluffy. Thank You. |
| * **New Committee member needed.** * If you have a skill which can benefit the routine or if interested to spare some time with the management of the nursery, we would like to hear from you. Please contact us from more information. |
| * **Tapestry:**   Is an easy-to-use and secure online learning journal.  Tapestry builds a very special journal of a child’s experiences and journey through their early years. Using photos, videos and diary entries, a teacher, practitioner, along with the child’s parents, ‘weaves’ the story of the child, enabling these memories to be kept as a permanent record of each unique life. The communication between staff and parents that Tapestry enables, helps build a shared understanding of how every child can reach their full potential.  Parents, please make sure to register once you receive the invitation email to enable you to access your child record and also to share his/her interests with the key worker. Thank you. |

**Please do speak to a member of staff in your child’s room if you need any more information.**

**Thank You.**