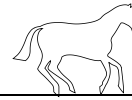


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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Pluto Class! My name is Miss Pottinger and I will be your child's class teacher for their first year at Nursted School. In Pluto class, we have two lovely teaching assistants in the class, they are called Mrs Young and Miss Preen and they are both experienced in Reception. We are all really looking forward to getting to know your child and supporting them at this exciting time!

In Pluto Class we like to spend time in the outdoors and often go and explore the wildlife area. It can be quite wet and muddy so please ensure wellies and wet weather gear (waterproof trousers or suit) are in school by Monday 23rd September. We shall be outside in all weathers and the children need to keep warm and dry.

We understand that sometimes children can forget to ask to go to the toilet, we kindly ask you to provide spare clothes if you think your child might need them. Please ensure all clothes and PE kit are named – it makes things a lot easier for us and your children. Our PE session will be every Friday afternoon.

This term we are covering the following topics: 'My Local area', 'Autumn' and the story we will be focusing on will be 'The Something' by Rebecca Cobb. After half term we will be covering the topics, 'all about me', 'Christmas/Winter' and the story we will be focusing on will be 'Star in a Jar' by Sam Hay. We will be sharing lots of stories and enjoying different role play areas. At the moment we have a hospital.

We will soon be sending out 'wow stars'. We ask you to write achievements that your child has done at home to share with the class! They can be brought in at any time and can be anything, from helping at home, enjoying a dance class or even getting dressed independently.

We have begun phonic lessons. We have been learning sounds, reading and writing simple words. Your child will come home with a set of sounds in their book bags and I will update you with the sounds we have learnt via Class Dojo. Please take 5 minutes a day to read and cover sounds with your child. It makes a real difference. Your child now has a story to share. These will be books for you to read together and eventually books for them to read to you! We encourage you to read with your child as much as you can.

Thank you to all parents for signing up to Class Dojo, it is a great way to share our learning and to communicate with you all.

Yours sincerely

Miss Pottinger