# Welcome Back to Apple Class!



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Autumn 1 2023

Hello and welcome to Apple Class! And welcome back to those of you who are returning. Hope you all had a wonderful summer. Our topic this term is 'Food and Farming'. We will continue with our local walks each week and will be blackberry picking and apple scrumping for sensory cookery and sensory art. We will be using 'Stone Soup' as our Sensory Story. Look out for the new class paperwork for this academic year. Please read, complete/amend as necessary, sign and return, Thank you!

# Cognition

We will continue our focus of developing and exploring cause and effect and making purposeful actions on our environment. We have a variety of lovely new wood and metal wind chimes to explore which are already a success!

### Communication

Sensory Music, Art, Bucket Time and our 'Stone Soup' Sensory Story provide opportunities to use all our senses to explore, show our responses, develop preferences, anticipate, choice make and request 'more'.

## SEMH

We will be spending time in our lovely new outdoor garden and developing our curiosity in nature. We will continue to build meaningful relationships through Intensive Interaction and HOP time where we spend quality time together.

## Sensory Physical

To continue to work towards our therapy targets, we will use personal physiotherapy equipment in class daily. We will also be practising our focussed looking, transferring our gaze and tracking using visually stimulating props.

<u>RE</u> Our RE topic this term is 'Helping Others' We will be thinking about harvest and harvest festivals.

<u>RSE</u> Apple Class will continue to work on personal targets as part of our daily routines and through sessions such as HOP, Positive Touch and Massage.



Autumn Term Parent Engagement session: Look out for dates for Sports Day and Parent Partnership. Half Term Break is Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

# Apple Class Team



# Class Fund

Thank you to those who contribute £5 to our half termly class fund, this supports us in our Cooking/ Design and Technology and Sensory Exploration lessons. If you are able to contribute please do so through Parent Pay.

### **Swimming**

Please ensure that your child has a swim kit in school on their swimming day or a spare kit that can be kept at school. Our swim day is Tuesday.

### Outdoor Learning

We enjoy spending time learning outside. Please ensure ensure that your child is ready for all weathers!

#### Personal Learning Goals (PLGs)

At the start of each term you will receive your child's updated PLGs. Please check these and return a signed copy to their class teacher. This may be completed during EHCP Reviews or Parent Partnership Conversations.

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