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Autumn Term 2025

Craig Park Pre-School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a pleasure welcoming your children to begin their journey at Raynham Primary School. We look forward to working together to support your child's development and extend their learning through their interests.

The Curriculum

This term will focus on supporting the children to settle in to their new environment and learning to express their wants and needs. The children will be spending their time getting to know the Craig Park Team and their new friends. We will also be working with them in finding ways of managing new transitions such as from home to school and from one activity to another.

Our topic for Autumn 1 is **Ourselves**. The children will learn about similarities and differences between themselves and others. They will begin thinking about and articulating their likes and dislikes. In Autumn 2, our topic will be **People Who Help Us** where the children will begin to think and talk about the different jobs in the community, such as police officers, firefighters or bus drivers, and how they contribute to keeping us safe and well.

Communication, Language and Literacy

The children will learn how to communicate with their new friends and adults in the classroom. They will listen and respond to simple instructions. The children will explore mark-making through making large movements and will begin to talk about the marks they make. We will be reading a range of stories that relate to the topics such as *Spot Goes to Nursery*.

Maths

This term, we will be learning our daily routines. We will support the children to develop counting like behaviour such as pointing or saying some numbers in sequence. The children will begin to develop an awareness of capacity and size by stacking cups and blocks and placing objects inside of one another.

Clothing

Please ensure that your child has a spare set of clothes in a bag in school which has their name in. As the weather turns colder, the children will need appropriate shoes and a warm coat for the outdoor area as we use our outdoor learning environment daily.

Sharing activities and achievements

We would really like to see what the children do at home with you and the activities they enjoy. You will be sent information about using Evidence Me, which is an app on your phone or tablet which will allow you to share pictures and videos of your child with us, which can then be added to the child's learning journey. We will also be able to share activities that they do in school with you using this.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to working with you and your amazing children!

Saskia, Adrianna and Sengul
The Craig Park team