*Welcome* to our setting. We hope that the time your child spends with us will be an enjoyable and enriching experience.

 Whilst Covid- 19 has had a major impact on society and the education sector we would like to reassure parents and carers we are working to provide a safe environment for everyone.

 We aim to offer the same play and learning opportunities as we have always provided. Our main focus will be the children’s personal, social and emotional development.

This month we will be focusing on how we can take care of ourselves and keep ourselves safe from germs and one of the resources we will be using is the book ‘HELLO I am a Virus, cousin with the flu and the Common Cold. If you wish to access this book go to [www.mindheart.co](http://www.mindheart.co)

Remember to log on to the parents tab on the Getting Ready to Learn website [www.gettingreadytolearn.co.uk](http://www.gettingreadytolearn.co.uk)

This provides parents with lots of ideas and suggestions for home learning. Free downloads to share with friends and family.

During your child’s time with us they will be experiencing outdoor play. We will be going outside most days and would ask that your child has suitable clothing – coat/hat/sun-hat/sun cream. We would ask that you also send in a pair of wellington boots for your child that can be kept on our stand in pre-school garden.

 We have a ‘Friend’s Board’. We would ask that you send in a photo of your child for this board as it helps children to become familiar with each other and promotes a sense of belonging.

If your child is absent for ANY reason you must contact the pre-school by telephone on the first morning they are absent.

Hall phone 02828278064. Mob 07843874173

To protect children with allergies we would ask that your child does not bring in ANY food items from home.

Congratulations to

 **Molly**

who celebrates her

birthday this month

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**DATES TO REMEMBER!!!!**

Our half-term holidays will be Monday 26th October-Friday 30th October (inclusive).

Closed Monday 2nd November for staff training

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During September as we are focusing on how to stay healthy and keep clean and free from germs. We will be promoting awareness of looking after ourselves and also talking about our feelings.

We have taken note of the children’s favorite rhymes and songs from their questionnaires and will be incorporating these into our planning.

Our **‘Focus songs and rhymes’** that you can also sing with your child at home will be….

*‘Wash wash wash your hands, thumbs and fingers too,*

*Rub a dub, Rub a dub,*

*That’s the thing to do’*

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*Two little dickey birds*

*Sitting on a wall,*

*One called Peter, one called Paul.*

*Fly away Peter,*

*Fly away Paul,*

*Come back Peter,*

*Come back Paul.*