

# Important Dates

- Thursday 19th September: School photos.
- Friday 27th September: EYFS Harvest Festival—14:00
- Monday 7th October—Science Day
- Monday 14th October—Nursery Open Morning—09:00-11:00
- Friday 18th October: **INSET day**

There will be a 'Drop in session' on alternate Wednesdays. It will commence the week beginning 9th September from 9:00 pm until 9:15; this is a time for you to catch up with us, discuss any concerns etc. Furthermore, the team are always more than happy to have a chat after School or for you to arrange a time to meet with us with the office.

We are very excited about getting to know the children and look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure your children have the best start to school.

Mrs Day and the Nursery team.

# Ducklings



We would like to wish all of our children and their families a warm welcome to the start of the school year at Great Barford Primary Academy. This half term will focus on the children settling into the school routine and exploring all the different learning opportunities in the inside and outside classrooms.

Children have access to fresh drinking water daily at the snack table. Children are able to bring in their own water bottles if they wish.



### Literacy

We will explore many different story books both fiction and non-fiction. We will be able to start recognising familiar letter shapes and gain more confidence in finding our names for self-registration. We are able to find resources to mark make in both the inside and outside environment.

### Understanding of the World

We will explore our new class and the school environment. We will share with our class special events in our own and other peoples lives.

### Maths

We will have the opportunity to explore numbers, shape, space and measure both inside and outside. We will be able to apply our mathematical knowledge during continuous provision and have adult support to further extend our understanding. For example we will be learning how to cook independently at the cooking station while exploring numbers and measurement.

## OUR LEARNING

### Communication & Language

We will be sharing our ideas with our friends and teachers. We will listen and join in to familiar stories and songs.

### Expressive Art and Design

We will discuss, plan and research things we would like to make/build. We will use blocks and recycled materials to construct these ideas. Please bring in any empty and clean yoghurts pots, collapsed boxes, tubes etc. to enhance our making area.

### Physical Development

We will be practising the changing routine when we have P.E We will get changed into our P.E. kits and take part in many different activities including gymnastics, dance and bat and ball skills. P.E. will be **Tuesday** mornings and Wednesday afternoons.

We will also have the opportunity to develop our physical development throughout the day inside and outside.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Dev

We will be exploring our new environment establishing routines, rules and expectations. We will celebrate achievements school / home and during circle time linking them to our values.

### Get involved

If you would like to be involved in the school community by volunteering, we appreciate help with any of the following; readers, cooking, gardening or arts and crafts. For more information please don't hesitate to contact the office. [admin@gbpa.org.uk](mailto:admin@gbpa.org.uk)