

# Mrs Arkle's Newsletter

Autumn 1 2019



## Meet the Team/Marvellous Me

Teacher: Mrs Arkle

Learning Support: Miss Pallent

Care Team- Karen Nicholson and Anne Coleman

Please ask if you have any concerns regarding your child. **Marvellous Me is a free app that will send**

regular updates from your child's teacher to your phone. Ask school for your user code or if you want help setting it up.



## Golden Rules

We want all children to be happy and safe. In class, we will be teaching and encouraging children to



1. Stay focussed for an appropriate time based on their needs
2. Become 'good' listeners
3. Have kind hands- not to hurt others
4. Say/sign please and thank you
5. Recognise their own belongings

## Independence

Independence is about learning to do things for oneself, which includes making decisions and taking on responsibility. These are hugely important skills for children to learn to cope with in adulthood. Helping children to become independent is seen as so important that it is a major focus of our curriculum. You can help us encourage independence by doing small things at home such as asking children to take smaller items of clothes off, collecting something they need, and helping to tidy toys away.



## Snack and lunches



We like to give children the opportunity to try new foods and drinks whilst ensuring they have the option to eat and drink things we know they like. If there is something your child likes or does not at a particular time please let us know. We have snack at around 10.30 on a morning and then lunch at 12.00. We will encourage your child to eat their packed lunches and support them in doing so.

## Health Care Plans and Appointments

All children have a Health Care plan that you completed with Miss Gibson (Lead Carer). If anything needs changing on the plan, please let us know and we can arrange a time to meet to amend.

We know our children may have medical appointments, and where possible we would appreciate it if appointments could be made outside the academy day. If this is not possible, please send the appointment letter in for our records.



## Home Reading

Reading is something that is so important from an early age. We want to help your child develop a love of books and reading. Sharing a book with your child increases their vocabulary and imagination. Every Wednesday you and your child can choose one of our home, shared reading books to take home for the week. When they bring it back, they will get a sticker on our reading chart and when they have 5 stickers will get a reading award.

*"If you want your kids to WANT to read, then read amazing books aloud to them every single day."*

