**Nursery Information for 2016**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your support with our nursery activities. Your children have all settled in really well, made lots of new friends and are excited to learn. Here are some of the activities that you as a parent may like to join in with.

**Library**

Mrs Ashworth joins us every Thursday and helps your child choose a new story to take home. This will need to be returned each Thursday so they can choose another story. The children enjoy choosing a book and then sharing it with you at home. They often tell their friends when they come back into nursery.

**Welly Walks**

Our welly walks take place during the half term. We go on a Friday at 10.30am and aim to return to school by 11.30am. The weeks and topics for the welly walks are listed on the Medium Term planner on the website. If you can join us on these sessions please let me know, or sign the sheet outside nursery.

**Parent Library**

Parent library takes place on a Wednesday at 11.55am. Your child will hand you an index card and then you can choose a book from the table in nursery. Please write down the book on the card and leave it in the blue box. Books can be kept all week and then swapped again the following Wednesday.

**Stay and play**

Stay and play is a time for you to come and play with your child in nursery. This takes place on a Friday from 8.55am until 10.45am. The dates of the sessions are on the Medium term planner but a sheet is also available on the entrance to nursery so you can sign up for your preferred session. The places are limited to one session out of the three, so that all parents get the chance to join us if they wish.

**Key groups**

The Early Years Foundation Stage states that each child in the Nursery and Reception Year group should have a key person in their setting. At St. Peter’s, we manage this by holding a story time at the end of the Nursery session, where each child can sit with their key person, this is also their home time place and they will be in their own area with their coats and bags ready to go home.

The main key person for nursery is (Mrs Walker) but the children are also divided into two groups

 If your child is a Bee or a Ladybird their key person is **Mrs Callaghan**

If your child is a Butterfly or a Caterpillar their Key person is **Mrs Green**.

I (Mrs Walker) will call the children out of nursery at the end of the day.

If you would like to discuss anything at all, you are welcome to come into nursery at the end of the session when all the children have left nursery or we are available from 8.30 in the morning.

Thank you Mrs Walker