



English Martyrs Catholic Primary School  
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Dear Parents,

Welcome to English Martyrs Nursery. A very warm welcome to the new children and their families who have started at our Nursery this term - we are delighted that you have come to join us! The children have had a lovely first week and are beginning to make friendships and are always keen to talk to the adults about everything!

This half term the children will continue to develop all the areas of learning, based around our topic, 'All about me'. During our sessions we will begin to select and use different activities, build relationships with our peers and further develop our ability to take turns. We will be introducing our puppet 'Curious Colin' to help us explore our new environments. We will be encouraging the children to be curious and ask questions to develop and extend their learning.

We love to celebrate your child's WOW moments captured at school and at home. To help us do this we ask you to fill in a WOW stars when your child has done something special, tried something new or said something that makes you go WOW! We will send 'WOW' stars home with your child, please can you complete them at home and send them back.

Our Religion topic is 'God's Wonderful World' and we will follow the plans from the Way, the Truth and the Life. You can support your child at home by helping them to learn the simple prayer and by discussing the prayers you say as a family with your child.

'Reading for enjoyment' is a very important element in teaching children to read. Please read with your child as much as possible. Your child will bring home a book of their choice from our class library once a week.

Thank you for the support you give in developing language and vocabulary by speaking to your child about his/her day. This is a very important part of your child's development.

Anything else....

We use pencils, paint and collage to make pictures and models, developing fine motor (hand control) skills. If you have any unwanted, recycling materials and unusual packaging, please feel free to bring it in as it often sparks the imagination of children!

Thank you for your brilliant support, I hope we have a fantastic year together.

Mrs Bracken