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Letter to Parents (EY4)

Dear Parents,

Over the next few weeks those of us in class EY4 will begin a new topic called “This is me”. This unit is part of the early year’s programme of the International Early years Curriculum (IEYC). This new curriculum has been specially written for young learners and sets out clearly what they should learn in four groups or “strands” these are called “Independence and Interdependence”, “Communicating”, “Enquiring”, and “Healthy Living and physical wellbeing”.

The activities, which have been planned, will cover these strands in the following ways:

Independence and Interdependence

During these first few weeks the learners will learn a great deal about relationships and how to get along with lots of new people. They will be introduced to activities to develop new skills and have opportunities to play alone, alongside and with other learners. They will be learning the names of their friends. Parents can help them identify their name. Parents must allow learners to do things on their own and teach them to keep their things at the appropriate place in the house.

Communicating

The learners will be introduced to books, stories and rhymes. They will be finding about their families. We will sing and learn some simple rhymes. The learners will make simple pictures of themselves and of their families. The learners will be introduced to numbers and be involved in simple counting activities. Parents can read books on my body.

Enquiring

Throughout these early days the learners will learn about playing with materials. Learners will be encouraged to take part in domestic role-play in the house area. This will be exploring what is inside a home. Parents must allow learners to explore the features of different family members in the house. Compare the colour, size and shape of various parts and use senses to explore different things around.

Healthy Living and Physical Well Being

The learners will begin to learn about paying attention and concentrating as well as expressing emotions and emotional needs. Learners will learn how to work together and be a good friend. Each day will bring opportunities to develop the ability to cope with change. Parents must teach learners to listen to the teacher in the class and remain clean and tidy.

International Dimension

Our learning will also help to develop the IEYC International Dimension as learners will learn about:

- The names, locations and contrasting aspects of learners' home.
- Learning and playing with others beyond their immediate friendship group.
- The similarities and differences between learners' lives.
- Applying the IEYC Personal Goals in various contexts.

We will begin this theme on Monday, 11th June 2018 by having a welcome morning. This week you could talk about the external, internal parts of the body and the five senses. Talk to your child about when they were born and how they look. Also, make the child aware about the different types of houses around the world and the materials used to build a house. Any extra information or material related to the topic that you wish to share with the class is always welcome. Following are few websites, which may interest your child for this particular topic:

www.makemegenius.com

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uBG0KB0Ofug>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks1science.html#bodyparthtm>

We would request you to send the following things:

- 1 object made out of materials like glass, wood, plastic etc. on **5th July.**
- 2 Passport size picture of your child (labeled behind), separate 3 by 4 size picture of the child as an infant (0-1 year old), toddler (2 years old) and a current picture of the child. All the pictures must reach the class teachers by **10th July 2018,** duly labeled in a zip lock pouch.
- 1 lock and key set to be bought to class on **12th July.**

As always, we welcome any support or suggestions, which you may have.

Warm Regards

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(Principal)