



3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Nursery children have had a great start to their development journey at Perry Hall. From next week, we will be seeking your support to aid us in assessing your children. As parents and carers we really value your input!

Each Monday, we will select three 'focus children' for the following week. We will send home a short questionnaire for parents/carers to share key information about their child. The questionnaire needs to be returned to school on the Thursday of that week. These questionnaires give staff crucial information about what your child is currently interested in and supports staff to plan for your child's personal interests. An example questionnaire is displayed on the information board within Nursery cloakroom.

The 'focus children's' observation sheets will be displayed on the planning board for staff to complete throughout the week, this will show the learning that has taken place throughout the week and will then be stored in your child's Learning Journey. Each child will have three focus weeks over the year, and the information shared will also support our planning over the whole year, to ensure the children's interests are reflected across the environment.

In addition, staff will support, observe and record 'wow moments' of all children and group activities throughout the week on a moment-by-moment basis.

We are currently developing a display board in the cloakroom area, titled 'Our Learning Journey at Home'. We are encouraging parents to share special 'wow moments' that your child achieves at home. Examples could include: learning to write their name; counting a small number of objects accurately; learning a new song; swimming/football achievements - there are no limits. Please find attached a 'wow moment' star for you to complete. When you need another star to complete, they will be available in the cloakroom for you to help yourself to.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come a speak to Mrs Phillips or any of the team.

Yours sincerely,

Miss R Kohli  
Executive Headteacher