Dear Parents, welcome to your first half term in Year R. Here is an overview of our first few weeks learning titled 'Me and my new class.' We will be using this time for children to get to know each other, the staff and settle into the routines of school life. We hope you and your child will have a happy time in Year R. Shirley Culverhouse

<u>Home Learning</u> The purpose of home learning is for children to share and extend the knowledge and skills they learn at school into their home environment. Make it fun!

- Share family photos and talk about when your child was younger
- Ask your child to tell you about their new classroom, staff and classmates
- Try measuring items using hands or feet (the sofa is 15 footprints long)
- Make a family tree

#### **Useful Dates:**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September – children share their collages made at home 'me and my favourite things'. Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September - children bring in their favourite book to share with the class Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October – bring in a baby photo or email it to me at: sculverhouse@southtawton.org 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Forest school session, children to bring wellies and waterproofs.

## Communication, Language & Literacy

- Show & tell-speaking & listening
- Healthy eating poster
- Writing & mark making opportunities
- Rhyming words: hand/land toe/show
- Favourite story day
- Non fiction books about the body
- Senses poem
- Making messages for classmates

#### **Physical Development**

- Growing up healthily
- Promoting self care & hygiene
- Labelling parts of the body
- Action rhymes to join in with
- Coordinating body parts
- Travelling & balancing on different body parts

& daily physical sessions

# **South Tawton Primary School: Foundation Stage**

1st Half Autumn Term 2020

Me and my new class



#### **Mathematics**

- Ordering, sorting & comparing size
- 1 more or less games
- Data collecting with favourite things, hair & eye colour.
- Counting fingers, toes, eyes etc...
- Physical problem solving.
- Measuring in footsteps
- Using flat shapes to create pictures
- Counting and matching numerals

#### **Creative Development**

- Self portraits using mirrors
- Role play opportunities: optician, doctor/hospital, home corner, baby clinic, hairdressers
- Drawing around bodies and decorating them
- Hand patterns
- Designing glasses
- Finger printing
- Opportunities for making
- Body percussion & music

#### Personal, Social & Emotional

- 'I can do' statements to promote self esteem
- What makes me special, my favourite things & special people
- Growing new friendships
- Circle time activities, getting to know each other, listening to each other
- Who is it? Describing each other
- Feelings, what makes you happy or sad?

### **Understanding the World**

- Exploring senses
- Feely bags & taste testing
- Ourselves- similarities and differences
- Mendhi hand patterns
- How we grow and change, from babies
- Bring in their own baby pictures & discuss the past events in own lives
- Baptism and how babies are welcomed into different communities
- Looking after others, health care jobs