



Kinder Care Day Nursery

Welcome to the month of March

Important dates

Half term- Nursery will be closed for all Nursery Education Funded Children from **Thursday 28th March 2024 to Monday 15th April 2024**.

Bank Holidays - **Friday 29th March 2024 and Monday 1st April 2024** nursery will be closed for all children.

Mother's Day workshop

We will be holding a workshop for all Parents/Guardians on Monday 11th March 2024. There will be different activities held in each room.

Morning session- 9.30am- 10.30am

Afternoon session - 12.30pm- 1.30pm

World Book Day

On Thursday 7th March 2024 will be celebrating World Book Day. We will be dressing up in our favourite character or children can bring in their favourite book into nursery.

Absence

If your child is not attending the nursery due to sickness or any other reason or expecting to be late, please call and inform the nursery at the beginning of the session on 0121 789 7897.

Punctuality

Can all Parents/Carers ensure your child arrives at nursery on their session time due to missing out on their routine and disrupts lessons in their room. For good interaction with staff and for feedback please pick your child on time. Charges will apply if you arrive late.

30 Hours and 2 years funding codes for working parents

If your Child currently attends for 30 hours, you must reconfirm eligibility before **31st March 2024**. Working parents may be entitled to 2years old funding please see www.Childcarechoices.co.uk and provide nursery with the eligibility code. In September 2024 if your baby is entitled to 9 month plus funding please see management as soon as possible.

Change of phone number/ address

Could you please ensure that you update the office with any changes to your Mobile/Telephone number, or if you have a new address. It is vital that we are able to contact you in the event of an emergency.

Two -year -old progress check

All children will have a developmental check between their second and third birthday. It will happen jointly with you and sometimes your health visitor. The check helps your key person to focus on your child's progress. It will also help you with ideas to keep chatting, playing and reading with your child at home. Please pass this information on to nursery.

School readiness

As part of school readiness in Pre-school we would like you to encourage your child to wear the following uniform:

- Red- Jumper
- White- Polo shirt
- Grey- trousers or Skirt/ Tights
- Black-Shoes

Please note that although we encourage school uniform, it is not compulsory. We have noticed how the children are beginning to put their own coats on and find their own pegs. The children are getting used to routines which helps with their confidence. We recommend that you support your child in doing day to day chores at home which they can easily do. Some examples are loading the washing machine, unpacking shopping and many more.

Gates and buzzer

Please can we remind you that all gates in the nursery, inside and out, need to be closed and locked as you pass through. This is to safeguard the children and it is paramount that they are kept closed. Also, please can we refrain from allowing the children to press the buzzer more than once, this is distracting to the staff and children in the rooms trying to get on with their routine.

Saving nursery dinner

We are finding that we have a lot of waste at dinner time due to children coming in late or not attending for dinner time. The policy in place is that we ask for a phone call by 10am to let us know that your child will be in for dinner and that one needs saving for them. This enables Becki to have specific dinner numbers for when she begins to cook. Unfortunately, if we don't have a message to save your child a dinner, then you will need to make sure that they have eaten before they come into nursery.

Outdoor play

Outdoor play is a very important part of our nursery day and we like to support the children in experiencing all different types of weather. Please can you ensure your child/children are dressed appropriately for the weather while they are at nursery so we can continue to access the outdoors at all times.

The outdoors is a rich learning environment and we can teach the children so much when accessing it, we don't want any of our children missing out...

So, remember...

'THERES NO SUCH THING AS BAD WEATHER, ITS BAD CLOTHING!'