



Kinder Care Day Nursery

Welcome to the month of December

Important dates

30 Hours 2 years and 9month funding codes for working parents

If your Child currently attends for 30 or 15 hours you must reconfirm eligibility before 15th December 2024. Working parents may be entitled to 2years old funding please see

www.Childcarechoices.co.uk and provide nursery with the eligibility code. Please provide the nursery with your code the first week of December.

Dates for your diary

The children who receive **Early Education Entitlement** funding will break up for the Christmas holidays on **Friday December 13th 2024** and return **Monday January 6th 2025**

Bank holidays/nursery closures

Wednesday 25th December & **Thursday 26th December** 2024 and **Wednesday 1st Jan 2025** - nursery will be **closed** for all children these 3 days.

Christmas events

Friday 6th December 2024- Pre-school Christmas Carol Concert- All children to attend 12.15-3.15 parents to attend 2pm.

Please note only one ticket per parent/carer

Friday 13th December 2024- Christmas party- All children to do 10am-1pm

Please note these hours are for funded children. Fee paying children to attend normal sessions

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!z



Sammy Skills promotes the importance of skills-based play. Sammy Skills looks at the fundamental movement skills that children should be mastering. The fundamental movement skills are categorised as Locomotor, Stability and Manipulative

- Babies' brains are "unfinished" at birth; therefore physical activity and movement play a huge role in creating nerve connections in the brain. Children need regular and varied opportunities to move freely and interact with people, these experiences form the basis for lifelong physical, social and emotional skills and provide the foundations for all future learning, including formal learning at school.
- Physical development is learning to control the body and the movements it makes. Children are unique and will not always meet the milestones at set times but we need to be aware of these milestones in order to help children move forward and identify possible intervention strategies. Fundamental movement skills are very important for children's physical development. By becoming confident and competent in these skills, children are allowed to enjoy physical activities/sports and become physically literate.
- Most importantly, with a firm grasp of the fundamental movement skills, a child may enjoy a long life of physical activity. Therefore, it is important that early years settings adopt a skills based planning approach to ensure children are exposed to opportunities to develop an array of skills.
- Staff should be using the 3 I's when planning to ensure that the activities offer inspiration, invention and implementation to ensure the skill/intent is met or children are working towards it.

Sammy Says:

- Focus activities around the development of the key fundamental skills to ensure strong foundations are laid for more specific movement skills later on in life.

We would like to thank you all for your continued support this past year, it has been a pleasure to see the children grow and evolve.

We hope you all have a lovely break and 2024 is even better!

Newsletter: Please remember the newsletter is always available online if you would like to have a look on the nurseries website @

www.kindercarenursery.co.uk