



Kinder Care Day Nursery

Welcome to the month of February

Staff notice

We like to welcome Amelie to Kinder Care as our new apprentice.

Festivals

Valentines party 14.02.2025, all funded children to attend 9.15am to 12.15pm. All children can wear red/party clothes. Please contribute £1.00 towards the party.

Dates for your diary

The children who receive Early Education Entitlement will break up for half term on **Friday 14th February 2025** return to nursery on **Monday 24th February 2025**.

We have a staff training day on the Friday 28th February 2025. Please the management team for further information.

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.

Punctuality

Can all Parents/Carers ensure your child arrives at nursery on time for their session. This helps children to familiarise their routine and prevents them from missing out on day-to-day activities.

For good interaction with staff and for feedback please pick your child on time. Charges will apply if you arrive late.

Absences

If your child is not attending nursery due to sickness or any other reason or expecting to be late, please call and inform the nursery well in advance on the

landline number. Please call us on 01217897897. Please do not contact us on social media.

[Startwell Programme](#)

Kinder Care Day Nursery is a part of the Birmingham City Council's Startwell programme. We try to encourage and reflect a healthy lifestyle as early as possible to the children. Which we have reflected in our menus. As the healthiest options we intentionally only provide milk and water to children during the day and alongside our daily meals. As a policy we will now only accept water in the children's beakers or water bottles. As parents we hope that you will understand our point and will work with us towards this. Part of young children's development is allowing them to have a good understanding of physical health and making good food choices, children should have physical exercise a day, this involves moving their body in lots of different ways to develop muscle strength in all body areas, such as developing fine motor control through threading, mark making, manipulating items with their hands, using cutlery successfully, to large motor control through running, jumping, hopping, crawling, moving with greater control from one space to another. When we talk about physical exercise, this is children moving freely throughout the day around the home or in an outdoor space, an example of this is in Setting is the children do not have chairs, unless they are eating and drinking, therefore giving them the opportunities to stand and move while doing activities around them or stretching out over a floor space. We also discuss each snack and mealtime or during play with the children about healthy food choices, for example talking with them about how milk makes them grow big and strong as it contains calcium that helps our teeth and bones. While preparing dinners, it a great way to explore what foods support children in making healthy choices, and what foods are okay as a treat sometimes. Children often tell us how they feel after physical exercise and when they feel hungry, tired, and thirsty.

[Blossom App](#)

We really appreciate your parental observations, photographs, and videos as they really do support your child's learning journey and encourage you to send them in as often as you can on Blossom. Many of your child's important learning

experiences occur away from nursery at home. Parental observations will give us important information about your child's interests, experiences, and developmental progress which we can use alongside our observations of your child to support their learning journey. If you have not activated your Blossom link please do so, each child has their own personal learning journey, and it will be great for you to keep up to date with their learning process. This is where notifications are also sent.

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.

Register with a dentist

If you have not already done so, please make sure your child is registered with a dentist and has regular check-ups.

Changes to your personal details

Please ensure that you keep us updated of any changes to telephone numbers, addresses, emergency contacts and email addresses, so we can always ensure effective contact with you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Enjoy the rest of the month.

Thank you

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