

Pre-school Autumn Newsletter 2017

Welcome back to all returning children & families and a big hello to everyone new to the Nursery this term.

This term our topics are focusing on the children's interest of the outdoors. We have been to visit the local park to collect leaves and conkers for our Autumn display table and we are making our bird feeders to take home and share with our friends at Lincroft Care Home in Wisbech.

As many parents are new to pre-school there are a few things we need to let you know:

Nut Allergies



Please be aware that we have children with a nut allergy in Nursery. If your child brings a packed lunch, please make sure they do not bring anything containing nuts or nut products into Nursery. Thank you

Pupil Premium

This is a Government funding source for the Nursery and is available for children whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits or match other certain criteria. If you are eligible, registering could provide the Nursery with up to an extra £300 per year and this money would be used to provide additional resources for your child during their time at Wisbech Day Nursery.

Please complete the back of the Early Education Funding Forms to check your eligibility. If you would like any further information or help, please ask Sarah.

Applying for a Place at Primary School

If your child's birthday falls between 1/9/13 – 31/8/14, you should apply for a school place for your child for the academic year beginning September 2018. Applications are dealt with by Cambridgeshire County Council and full information is available on their website at <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-&-learning/apply-for-a-school-place/>

Before you complete your application form, please go and visit the schools which you think will suit your child; some will have 'Open Days' for prospective parents but all will be happy to show you around and answer any questions you may have.

Arriving at and Collecting from Nursery

So that your child gets the most out of Nursery, please try to arrive on time at the beginning of your child's session. We appreciate this is not always possible if you are dropping off at other schools, but where possible could you keep to your sessions times.



While the majority of parents/carers collect their children promptly at the end of sessions, we have noticed that a small number of children are being collected late.

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We understand that on the odd occasion, parents/carers are unavoidably delayed, if this happens please call the nursery 01945 586966 to advise of this. Late collection fees of £5.00 per 15 minutes will be invoiced for late collections. If you have any questions or concerns please speak to Sarah.

Tapestry on-line Learning Diaries

Many parents have already accessed the online learning journey's. If you have not had your login yet, please speak to your child's keyworker. We love to look at your family photographs that parents add to Tapestry.

Nursery toys

Children love to collect small items and put them in their pockets, for example puzzle pieces, counters from games, sorting penguins/elephants/fruit, toy animals and cars. If you discover that your child has taken something home from nursery, please give it back to a member of staff as we cannot use an incomplete puzzle or sort effectively if many items are missing!

Celebrations board

We have a celebration board in our hallway, please bring anything from home that your child is proud of. This can be anything Swimming Certificates to a picture of their new baby's scan photo!

Dates for your diaries

Autumn Term Dates

Monday 4th September 2017 – Tuesday 19th December 2017

Half Term Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October

The children return from the Christmas break on

Thursday 4th January 2018

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Horizon Photography will be at Nursery on 15th and 16th November 2017. All photographs ordered are guaranteed for Christmas delivery

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Family Christmas Party – Saturday 9th December 2017

11am – 1pm at the Queen Mary Centre, Wisbech

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