



Summer Term (2) Newsletter

June 2021

Following the Government announcement on the 14th June 2021, the nursery will continue with our current "system of controls" for COVID 19 until July 19th 2021, at the earliest.

Risk Assessment

We have updated our COVID 19 Risk Assessment as follows:

- The reintroduction of "Garden meetings" for our new parents and existing parents for meetings from 21st June 2021.

Parents will be required to:

- have their temperature checked on arrival.
- be required to use hand gel.
- wear a face covering.
- keep socially distanced during the meeting.

All chairs and tables used will be cleaned after the meeting. If you would like to have a "face to face" catch up with your keyworker, please do not hesitate to ask your child's keyworker.

Reports

Summer Term reports will be completed during July and August and will be accessible on Tapestry. If you prefer a paper copy, please speak to your child's keyworker. You will have the opportunity to meet with your child's keyworker to discuss the report either in the garden or via Microsoft teams.

Parking

Can we remind parents to park in the main car park. The car park places at the front of the building are for staff and emergency vehicles.

Transitions to new rooms

Children moving to their new rooms will transition during August 2021. Parents will be invited for garden meetings with their new key worker, and subject to Government Guidance and our COVID 19 Risk Assessment will be able to have a look at their child's new playroom and ask any questions.

Nursery Contact details

Tel: 01945 586966 – 7am – 6.30pm Monday to Friday.

Out of Hours: 07825575225

Website: www.wisbechdaynursery.co.uk

Reminders for parents

What should my child have with them for nursery?

- A bag with a change of clothes (in case of accidents or spills) to be left at Nursery Indoor AND outdoor shoes.
- Clothing suitable for outdoor play e.g suitable footwear and a sun hat.
- If your child brings in a packed lunch, can we ask that it is brought into Nursery in a disposable bag during these unprecedented times.

What if my child is sick or we are not coming to Nursery?

If your child is not going to be in nursery for any reason, please call the nursery to let us know by either telephoning us on 01945 586966 / Text message 07825575225 / email office@wisbechdaynursery.co.uk

If your child shows any signs of illness, we recommend they remain off until they are fully recovered. If your child has had sickness or diarrhoea, they cannot return to nursery until 48 hours after the last bout.

Please do not bring your child to Nursery if they have been given paracetamol or ibuprofen as this may mask any symptoms of COVID 19. *This has been introduced since our reopening on the 11th May 2020 during this pandemic only and this will be reviewed in line with our COVID 19 Risk Assessment.*

Other reminders

- We ask that your child does not bring toys from home into the nursery.
- Please try to be at nursery within the arranged drop-off and pick up times to avoid pinch points in the nursery drop off and collection processes.
- Please follow the one-way signs when dropping off and collecting your child / children and maintain social distancing across all entrances into the setting.
- Please keep the Nursery up to date with your contact details and any emergency contact details.

This is particularly important during this current time. We do not want to cause undue stress to children whilst we are trying contact parents / emergency contacts for unnecessary periods of time.

Children moving to Primary School

We have 45 children moving to Primary School in September. Many of these children have been with us since babies and we have watched them grow into confident, independent, and kind young people.

We have been liaising with their new teachers to ensure that they have a smooth transition to school, sharing their interests and attributes. Your child's learning journey will be accessible via a Tapestry link which will be sent to you on their last week at Nursery. This is a lovely

keepsake of their time at Nursery and will be available for 4 weeks on the Tapestry site for you to download. If you have any problems, please email me; sarah.vick@wisbechdaynursery.co.uk

We wish all the children well for the next stage of their education and hope they look back on their time with us fondly.

[Sun Cream and Sun Hats](#)

As we move into warmer weather, please can we remind you of the following:

- Children must bring their own Sun Hat to Nursery.
- Children need Sun Cream applied before nursery. For children that attend Nursery all day, please leave a bottle of Sun Cream at Nursery for us to reapply after lunch. Alternatively, we charge £2.00 to use Nursery Sun Cream which is Boots Soltan Kids 8 Hour Protect which staff will apply in the morning and top-up if necessary.
- May we ask that children wear suitable clothing and shoes e.g. flip flops are not suitable for outdoor play at Nursery.

[End of Term dates for childcare accessing Government Funding \(EYE or Free Twos\)](#)

For children attending Term Time only the final day of term is Wednesday 21st July 2021. If you wish to book any extra sessions in the summer holiday, please speak to Jasmin or Danielle. Term Dates for 2021/ 2022 are included on the last page of this newsletter.

[September 2021 - 15- & 30-Hour Government Funded Session](#)

The Government "Early Education Funding Scheme" is open to all 3- and 4-year-olds (Universal Entitlement). Your child can access funding the term after their 3rd birthday, each term starts from either the 1st January (Spring term) 1st April (Summer term), or 1st September (Autumn term). Children can access up to 15 hours of free education per week - term time, or up to 11.4 hours per week all year. There are no earnings or work restrictions for your children to access this funding, it is offered to all children. Once funded sessions are accessed, a charge is made for all food that the nursery provides, however, your child can bring in a packed lunch if preferred. (Allergy requirements will need to be followed)

We also offer limited places for children that are eligible for the "Extended Entitlement - an extra 15 hours of additional funding per week (30 hours funding in total)". This entitlement requires certain criteria to be met, applications for the extended funding can be accessed on the Childcare Choices website at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk. Once registered a code will be generated which we require along with your national insurance number to register the code on the government portal, HMRC will send regular information direct to you to ensure your eligibility is kept up to date. Again, codes need to be registered before the start of the relevant funding term.

Please be aware that all funding is an hourly reduction and not a monetary value reduction. Charges will be made for those who wish to access more than 11.4/15 hours or 22.8/30 hours per week. For more information, please speak to Barrie for more information on how the funding is allocated.

To apply for 30 hours of funding please follow this link: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-30-hours-free-childcare>.

If you already have your 30-hour funding code, please do not forget to update this code by the 31st August 2021 ready for the Autumn 2021 Term.

COVID Testing

To ensure we can continue to work effectively, can we please ask our families to inform us if your child has symptoms of COVID 19 and is being tested for COVID 19. Even if your child is not attending Nursery on that day, or if it is the weekend, please either email me at sarah.vick@wisbechdaynursery.co.uk or text Barrie Vick on 07775151116.

As business owners, Barrie and I are available seven days a week. Please do not hesitate to contact us out of Nursery hours to inform us if your child is showing signs of COVID 19 and is having a PCR test. We need to be aware of any testing taking place to ensure we have measures in place should the test return a positive result.

If your child has Covid 19 symptoms either at Home or Nursery, they will need to have a COVID 19 PCR test or self-isolate for 10 days from the onset of the symptoms.

Please be advised that if your child is showing Covid 19 symptoms a negative lateral flow test (LFT) will not be sufficient to allow your child to return to the nursery.

For example, if your child has a high temperature on a Saturday 1st of the month you will need to either book a COVID 19 test and wait for the results (returning to Nursery if the test is Negative), or self-isolate until Monday 10th of the month. Your child can then return to the Nursery on Tuesday 11th. These guidelines are set out by the Government, we ask parents to adhere to this guide to keep us all safe.

A reminder of the symptoms of COVID 19:

****** a high temperature - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature).

****** a new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual).

****** a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different from normal.

If your child or a member of the household has any of the symptoms of COVID-19, you should follow the NHS guidance: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/>

Wisbech Day Nursery School holiday and term dates

2021/2022 Academic Year

	Starts	Ends
Autumn term begins	Monday 6th September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Autumn half-term holiday	Monday 25 October 2021	Friday 29 October 2021
Autumn term continues	Monday 1 November 2021	Friday 17 December 2021
Christmas holiday	Monday 20 December 2021	Monday 3 January 2022
Spring term begins	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 11 February 2022
Spring half-term holiday	Monday 14 February 2022	Friday 18 February 2022
Spring term continues	Monday 21 February 2022	Friday 1 April 2022
Easter holiday	Monday 4 April 2022	Monday 18 April 2022
Summer term begins	Tuesday 19 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
Summer half-term holiday	Monday 30 May 2022	Friday 3 June 2022
Summer term continues	Monday 6 June 2022	Wednesday 20 July 2022

Non-funded Government days: 1, 2, 3 September 2021

21, 22 July 2022