

DAISY CHAIN DAY NURSERY

Newsletter May 2021

What have we been up to?

In April, the Pre-School children have been looking at Spring, Animals, and Insects. They have been going on bug hunts in the garden and taking part in lots of craft activities. They have been listening to Spring and Animal stories and looking at life cycles.



What are we up to next month?

In May, the Pre-School children will be looking at two topics, 'People who help us', and 'Transport'. These topics will be joined together in part when looking at things like emergency service vehicles.

They will be learning all about different types of people who help us, role playing with dressing up, and small world characters. They will be taking part in craft activities, and hearing stories about different types of occupations, and different types of vehicles and what they do.



3 Year Old Funded Sessions

All 3 year olds receive 15hrs per week of government funded childcare.
Some 3 year olds can receive 30hrs per week of government funded childcare, but please be aware that you must meet the requirements for this.

15HRS or 30HRS is Term Time Only.

If your child attends nursery all year round they will receive 11HRS per week, or 22HRS per week.

Sessions for 3 year olds are always in high demand and our spaces book up very quickly;

- If your child already attends nursery and you know you would like more sessions when they receive their 3 year old funding, please book these as far in advance as possible to guarantee your space
- If you know other parents who will want to book their child into nursery when they receive their 3 year old funding please encourage them to book far in advance to guarantee their space.

Please also remember that your child will only receive their funding **the term after they turn 3**, beginning in either January, April, or September. This means that if your child turns 3 in April, they will not receive their funding until September.

- With funded sessions you will be given the option to pay for meals or bring a packed lunch. Meal charges will be removed if your child is off for the day.

Staff News

We would like to send our congratulations to Hifza, and her husband, who welcomed their daughter Zara, in April. Mummy and Baby are both doing very well.



Happy Birthday!

This month we say Happy Birthday to:

Freddie (4), Dearbhla-Rose (4), Ivy (4), Jokubas (4), Briana (3), Edward (2), and Leon (2)



Important Dates for School Leavers

Friday 16th July 2021 – Last day of term for all term time only children

Friday 3rd September 2021 – End of Funding. (All year round school leavers can stay at nursery past this date, however there will be no more funding and daily charges will apply)

Primary Schools

If your child will be starting school this September, you should have all received your primary school offer. We hope you are all happy with the schools you were offered.

Remember to:

- Ring your Primary School to accept your child's space
- Let us know which school your child will be going to
- Give 4 weeks notice of leaving nursery if your child is not term time only



Tempest Group Photos

This year we aim to resume our annual photo session with Tempest Photography, we have our group photos booked for Wednesday 9th June 2021, Babies/Toddlers will join together for a group photo, and Pre-School will have a group photo, these are then sent to us in bulk and available for parents to purchase if they would like to.

You are welcome to bring an additional outfit for your child to wear for the photo, please let a staff member know if you would like to do this.

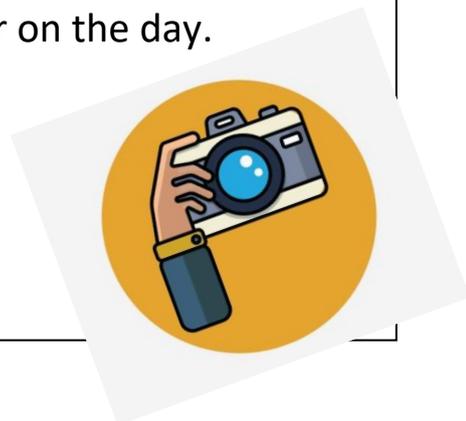
If your child does not attend a Wednesday session you are welcome to bring them in for the photo, drop off as normal at the front door and please stay on the premises as photos do not take long.

If you are bringing your child in, please bring:

- **Toddlers and Babies at 9.30am**
- **Pre-School at 9.45am**

Unfortunately, if you are late your child may miss out on their class photo as our photographers work quickly and have other appointments to keep.

Please let us know if you will be bringing your child in for the photos so we know who we are waiting for on the day.



Reminders:

Bank Holidays (Nursery Closed)

Monday 3rd May 2021

Monday 31st May 2021

Monday 30th August 2021

Please bring in Sun Cream and let us know if your child has any sun cream allergies as we will use nursery sun cream on any child who does not have their own.

Check Tapestry and Emails regularly

Please return nursery spare clothes

Nursery Menu

Each term we change our two week nursery menu consisting of snacks, lunches, tea, and puddings. At the moment we are unable to completely stick to our menu every day due to a number of circumstances including substitute shopping items, limited item purchasing (put in place by supermarkets due to the pandemic), and missing shopping items.

We will also sometimes alter the daily food due to the weather (such as swapping soup for tea if it is a hot day), children bringing birthday cake for their friends, or the children taking part in cooking activities and trying their creations for pudding. Toddlers will also sometimes swap AM and PM snack depending on what works best, this is because toddlers rarely have afternoon snack as they are generally still napping.

For the most part we try to stick to our menu, but please check your handovers carefully if you like to know what your child has been eating each day.

