



Newsletter October 2015

Welcome back!

A huge welcome back to all our term time only children and parents/carers. The summer has flown far too quickly and as you can see not all the renovations have been done!!

A big welcome to everyone who has just joined us we hope you are settling well and getting to know the team.

Room News...

Each room are working on settling the children and looking at their routines closely to ensure we are doing the best for our children in the time they are with us.

We are waiting for the new flooring in the Toddler room and preschool room then we are having our last big change!! The toddlers are waiting for their new toilet and there is still painting to be done! As a team we have decided that the pre-schoolers are going to move to the baby end and the babies and moving up to the middle room. We have decided on this in preparation for the longer funded hours, the amount of children in each room and the best outcome for the setting as a whole.

We have decided to reduce the amount of babies we can have each day and move to the smaller room so that we can offer more to the children in our care.

We do not take these decisions lightly and as you can imagine there is a lot of work involved. If you have any questions or queries about our developments please speak to a member of staff.

Resources...

We have had some new resources over the summer to ignite the children's imaginations so keep an eye out on our Facebook page for updates!

We have changed the way we do our observations so that children can be more involved and to go through these Learning Journals we are holding a parents evening at the end of November. (look out for our invites coming soon!).

Dates for your Diary

26th to 30th October - Half Term for our term time only children. If you require extra sessions in half terms you need to book with a staff member ASAP.

2nd November - CI photography is here for individual portraits.

19th November - Parent's Evening, details to follow.

18th December - last day of school term for our term time only children.

22nd December - last day of Nursery before the Christmas Closure.

23rd to 1st January 2016 - Christmas Closure, the Nursery will be closed throughout this period.

4th January 2016 - The Nursery reopens.

5th January 2016 - Spring Term starts for our term time only children.

2, 3 and 4 year old Childcare Funding

We accept childcare funding for the many 2 year olds and all 3 and 4 who qualify for 15 hours of free childcare a week. Our 3 and 4 year olds prepare for their transition to school in our dedicated Pre-School. Please ask any member of staff for more details or come in and talk to our Pre-School team to find out about the work they do.

Extra sessions

Please book ahead as much as possible to avoid disappointment. We try our hardest to make everyone happy. (All extras will be charged at the new prices from 1st September 2015)

Session swaps

We always try to be flexible but currently we are very busy. Unfortunately we cannot always offer a swap/ accommodate a swap. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Reducing days/hours

We need a months' notice to reduce hours or days.

Late fees

We do charge a late fee should you be late picking up your child, details can be found in our Parent Pack. If you are late picking your child up we may have to ask staff to stay later than their contracted hours and delay them from getting home to their families. So please be prompt.

Illness

If your child is ill and can not attend Nursery please call and let us know. If they have experienced vomiting and/or diarrhoea, they are not allowed to return to Nursery for 48 hours after the last incident.

Contacting the Nursery

Should you need to contact the Nursery urgently you should phone direct on 01223 861911 during business hours 08:00 - 18:00. Other forms of communication will be answered as soon as possible but this will no longer be possible after 7pm on week days and not at all over a weekend or bank holiday.