



Dear Parents and Carers

** October 2019 Nursery Update **

Well, we think the months of rain are upon us ☺ Not to worry - that's plenty of mud pies, splashing in puddles, making rain runs with guttering and seeing if we can make our own hide outs in the garden! All we need is for your little ones to have weather appropriate shoes, not cloth ones that soak up the water (wellies cover all eventualities), a warm and water-resistant/ waterproof coat and changes of clothes so we can go out and enjoy the rainy days just as much ☺

A big welcome to those of you who have joined us over the past month, we hope you are settling in well - remember we are always here to help so any questions no matter how big or small are welcomed. For those of you joining us in coming weeks - we are looking forward to getting you started with us :)

Front Door: Just a polite notice to ask you to ensure the children are not kicking or banging the door when waiting, and to ensure you gently close the door behind you rather than letting it slam. The door has recently been fixed numerous times as the slamming and kicking dislodges the sensors and after speaking to the technician he described this as being the problem. If we could all just be more careful with the door at all times that would be great! Thank you in advance ☺

Parents Evening: We will be having our next Parents evening on **Tuesday 29th October**. These will be 15 minute slots, and the signup sheets will be going up in the Baby room, Toddlers and in Pre School on **Tuesday 1st October**. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to speak to a member of staff, the deadline for signing up will **Friday 18th October**.

Pre School - If Marta is your child's key person she will be having Parents evening on **Wednesday 23rd October**.

New Menu: We will be changing over the menus to our Autumn and Winter menu soon. This will start w/c 14th October. Please bear with us as the children get used to the change in foods ☺

Pick up times - Just a polite reminder to all our parents that the sessions end at 1pm and 6pm. Please ensure you arrive at 12.50 and 5.50 at the latest to receive a handover about your child's day ☺ We are having quite a lot of parents collect late meaning the handovers run over time. Thank you in advance. Also, it is very important that if someone else is going to collect your child that you all let us know who it is and ensure they know the password.

PJ Day: As a bit of fun we are introducing a PJ day for children and staff on the first Wednesday of every month! Our first PJ day will be **Wednesday 2nd October**.

Halloween: On Thursday 31st October we will be having a Halloween fun day! There will be lots of Halloween activities planned for the day and we will be having a tea party too! The children are invited to come in wearing their Halloween costumes for the day!

Calpol/Paracetamol: Following guidance and training we have amended our Medication policy with regards to children being fit for Nursery. As From 1st October 2019, we will ask that if your child has been given a paracetamol product that you do not bring them to Nursery that same day. If there is a need to give products such as Calpol or Nurofen then the child is not fit for Nursery (*exceptional reasonings to be discussed and product would need to be prescribed by a doctor). There are several reasonings this has been put into place. Firstly; the paracetamol product could potentially mask any ill effects that your child would display during the day meaning they may go unnoticed by nursery staff during their session. Secondly; we have had lots of children who have been given Calpol in the mornings that become unwell quite quickly after the effects have worn off, and lastly if a child needs a paracetamol product they are generally unwell and doesn't aid in the prevention of illnesses being spread around nursery. We have put this in place to ensure the safety of your children, as well as trying to ensure that we are doing our best at preventing the spread of illnesses throughout the nursery. We hope that this makes sense and you understand our reasonings - of course as with anything should you have any queries at all please ask Natalie, Barbara or Lauren who will be more than happy to discuss it with you.

Half term - Monday 28th October until Friday 1st November. Term time children will return on Monday 4th November

Dates for your Diary:

Diddi Dance - Friday 18th and Friday 25th October
Nursery photo's - Wednesday 13th November
Christmas Fayre - Saturday 30th November
Pre School Panto Trip - Thursday 12th December
Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 13th December

Kind Regards,
Barbara and the Nursery Team