



PUDDLEDUCKS

DAY NURSERY

Dear Parents and Carers

** September 2021 Nursery Update **

Welcome back to our term time only children and welcome to our new families who have just joined us or are joining us this month. We are certain your little ones will settle in rapidly and will enjoy exploring and discovering and the exciting toys and activities that Puddleducks has to offer.

A little reminder from all our lovely ladies:

Please dress your child in appropriate clothing for the weather. Even if it is sunny in the morning it could be raining in the afternoon so, please make sure your child has what they need with them for the day.

Can we please remind parents to name **Everything!** Children can take a liking to other's belongings and if they are not named, we have no idea if they belong to them or not. As you can imagine we cannot always keep track of what children arrive with what when we say good morning or afternoon to all the children! As you can imagine while we are trying to run around the building at the end of session or the day, it can be an impossible task to locate hats, hoodies, jumpers etc. Though the children all have a peg with their name and a picture sometimes items are placed on different pegs. The task of finding them is made easier if belongings are named then we can match the correct item to the correct child

. Please remember the following at all times for when the weather is nice:

****Please always wear socks****

****Please apply sun cream every morning– regardless of the morning weather****

And for when the weather is not so nice:

Named wellies and either rain proof coats or puddle suits as we will access the garden in all weathers. These can be kept at Nursery, we have drawstring bags that they can go in so please tell a member of staff if they are to stay at Nursery. This will be much easier for us 😊

Parking: Thank you to parents who are parking considerately and safely now outside the nursery and as you will be aware when the sun is out the parking is not easy so, please continue to be considerate and also patient if the roads are busy around us.

Covid19 Risk Assessment guidance: Just a quick update – we still have guidance to follow RE: covid19, so for now drop offs and collections will continue as they are with babies and toddlers from 8am and pre-school children from 8.30am.

As of Monday 11th October, pre-school will be able to come in from 8am where needed.

Room transitions are remaining as they are without taster session for the new room – but do not worry we will give you plenty of warning and staff will have a chat with you to help you prepare 😊

Staff will continue lateral flow testing as advised. Toys from home will still be restricted please. Please remember if your little ones show any symptoms at all of covid19 they will need to go for a PCR test – the lateral flow tests many of us have at home now are for asymptomatic testing and are not appropriate testing for those with symptoms. Although the world is getting back to normality – we ask you to remain alert, and of course do not bring your child in to us if they are unwell. Please continue to wear a mask face covering at collection.

Please remember, if your child has had calpol/nurofen in the morning they will not be able to come to nursery.

Should anyone have any queries please let me know, but rest assured we are still doing everything possible to keep your little ones safe whilst with us.

Facebook Page: If you have not already, please do not forget to like our Facebook page! We put regular updates on there as well as pictures and videos of all the fantastic activities we get up too! Also, we would love any reviews from you all on the ‘review’ section of the page if you have a spare couple of minutes! 😊

Tapestry: How exciting! You should have all received a small memo and an invitation email to create your tapestry accounts. Please do activate your account as soon as possible, and don’t forget to update your child’s “all about me” 😊 We cant wait to share our first experiences caught on tapestry soon 😊

New faces: As you know the toddler room has seen some staffing difficulties in recent months. However, we are very happy to say that our new ladies are all setting in nicely, and if you are yet to meet them properly, I’m sure you will do in coming days. It can be a little daunting for our ladies trying to get to know so many parents, so please bear with them; we are very pleased to say that they all seem to have hit it off very well with all your little people 😊 😊

Dates for your diary:

Half Term week: W/C 25th October inclusive

Christmas 2021 closure week: W/C 27th December 2021 inclusive

Kind Regards,

Natalie and the Nursery Team