

20th September 2017

New Autumn Term

A big hello to all our new families who have joined us this term and best wishes to all of you with children starting reception class. We hope everyone had a great holiday and enjoyed the lovely summer weather. We are now looking forward to starting our new term with lots of fun planned activities and events.

Projects

This term there are three projects taking place: -

- The Egg project, by pre-school children.
- The basket project, by little pre-school children.
- Creative Minds, by our Infants.

All three projects have been designed and planned according to children's interest.

Facebook

Thank you to all the parents, who follow us on our facebook page, it has been a big success and we currently have 83 followers. We feel our Facebook page is a quick and easy way of sending out news and information to all our parents, as well as seeing what the children have been doing at the nursery. Any feedback will be appreciated and please feel free to leave a review on our page.

Parent App

Just this month we have launched part of the parent app, you can now view your child's account, meals, sleep and nappies, instantly using this app. If you need further information about the app, then please see Donna or Surbjit.

Photographer

The photographer this term has been planned to be in nursery during two mornings, Tuesday 10th and Friday 13th October. There is no commitment to purchase; you can decide once you have seen the proofs. More information will be given to you near the time. If your child doesn't usually attend those days or attends in the afternoon, then please see Donna if you have any questions or don't want a photograph taken.

30 Hours Funding

If your child is coming up to the age of 3, please check online to see if you are eligible for the 30-hours funding, by visiting www.gov.uk and following the links on that site. Further details will be sent to parents with children turning 3 years old between 1st September - 31st December 2017.



**A Sunflower Collage,
By Ayyub aged 3**



**A Sunflower Painting,
By Zachary aged 3**

Parents Evening

Our next parents evening will be held on Thursday 23rd November from 6:45p.m until 8:30p.m. There will be 2 short presentations from Catriona and we are providing light refreshments as usual. As the evening is for parent's **children will be unable to attend**. If you have any queries or are unable to attend, please see your key carer and we will arrange an alternative consultation.

Macmillan Event

This will be our 4th year of hosting the event, thank you to all our parents who helped us raise over £300 for Macmillan last year. Again this term 26th 27th & 28th September, we are inviting all our families to come and join us again in our 3-day cake and coffee event. It will be a time for you to stay and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee with your child. We will have lots of cakes on display for you to choose from, some made by the children!!! Morning time is from 7:30am - 9:15am, and afternoon time is from 3:30pm - 5:45pm. If you have any questions or need more information, please see Chelsea.

Christmas Party

This year the Christmas party will be held on Friday 8th December in the afternoon. Children who do not attend that day are invited to the party from 2pm until 4pm. Lots of fun and creative activities will be planned and someone very special might also pop in.



A Clay tile,
By India aged 1

Reminders

- With the cold weather coming along, it's very important that you label all your children's clothes. This includes jumpers, T-shirts, hats, gloves, scarves & coats.
- Please remember to leave **all toys** at home, as we have very young children at the nursery. Some toys can be a choking hazard and can be a source of conflict. Children can bring in books to share at group times.
- When dropping your child off or picking them up from nursery, please make sure you always sign them in/out. The register is used as part of our regular roll call for fire drills.
- In order for us to keep our records up to date, it is important as parents to inform the nursery of any absences, holidays, development check or immunisations that your child has, including change of address or telephone numbers.



A Clay tile,
By Lucy aged 1

Celebrations

We have quite a few celebrations this term:

September Jewish New Year
Eid

November Bonfire Night
Remembrance Day
St Andrews Day

October Black History Month
Halloween
Diwali

December Christmas
Hanukkah

If we haven't included any festivals you like to celebrate let us know and we will add them to the list.

Dates for your Diary

Macmillan Event
Half Term - Nursery Closed for Grant places
Photographer
Parents Evening
Christmas party
End of Term- for grant places
Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed
Training Day - Nursery Closed
Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed
Spring Term - Grant Children back in

26th, 27th & 28th September
Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October
Tuesday 10th & Friday 13th October
Thursday 23rd November
Friday 8th December
Friday 8th December- 1st January
Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th December
Friday 29th December
Monday 1st January 2018
Tuesday 2nd January 2018