honeybuns news







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We would like to welcome everyone back after the summer break. We hope you have had a lovely summer holiday. We have lots of things happening over the next few months, please make notes on your calendars for events that are coming up.

> planned Thank You Steph

We hope that you all enjoy what we have

Staff

Alison Shipton-Director Of Care

Steph Robinson - Manager

Safeguarding, Senco & Behaviour co-ordinator

Joanna Hutchings - Deputy Manager-

- Safeguarding & Equal opps co-coordinator

Butterflies: Elise Hutchings

Chana Anderson

Squirrels: Kelcie Oakley

> Tanya Lester Clair Simpson

Foxes: Faye Beardsley (Senior)

> Claire Crewe Lydia Perrins Linzi Doyle

Hedgehogs: Joanna Hutchings

Sadie Toth Emma Hall Gemma Bickley

Julie Nation (Senior)

Rachel will be helping in all rooms of the nursery. We would like to welcome back Claire and Chelsea after their maternity leave

Kitchen - Cook: Joan Carroll

Tax Free Childcare & Funded Hours

You may be able to get help with Childcare costs. To check eligibility visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Nursery Holidays 2018

Term time Holidays are as follows:

29th October - 2nd November (free funded place children) 19th December - 3rd January 2019 (free funded place children)

Pigeon holes

Please can you make sure you are checking every day your child's pigeon hole as there will be lots of information being given out to parents about upcoming events, pictures etc.

Parent Activity Rota

We are trying to encourage as many Parent's to take part in a individual play and stay session with your child.

Please speak to a member of staff with date and times you can

attend.

Parents are also invited to come along and have a meal with your child at nursery. Please speak to a member of staff who will book you in for a breakfast/ lunch or tea.

Sessions

Please can we remind you of our $\frac{1}{2}$ day sessions 8-1 and 1-6. We are experiencing more children arriving earlier than 1pm and children not being collected until after 1pm. Please can you ensure you are arriving promptly?

Cold weather clothes - when the weather starts to become colder please can we ask that you provide your child with suitable clothes and footwear for outdoors (hat, scarf, gloves, wellies)

2 Year Checks

If your child is reaching 2 years old and you receive letter from the health visitor for their 2 year check to be completed, please inform nursery asap as we need to complete on from the nursery f or you to take to the appointment.

Curiosity Area

We are looking for any old interesting items for the children to explore such as cameras, tubes, wooden items, pots and pans, clocks, egg timers, scales etc.

If you have anything to donate it would be greatly appreciated.

Dates for the Diary

Throughout September we will be collecting tinned and dry goods for our Harvest box, which will be situated in the main front porch. We donate all the proceeds to House of Bread.

8th October 9.30-11.30- Children's individual photographs being taken.



Week commencing 29th October until the 2nd November: Halloween activities all week and party on Wednesday 31st October (dress up in your spookiest outfits)

Children will be learning and taking part in Remembrance day, during week commencing 5th November.



Week commencing 5th November the children will be talking about firework safety and keeping safe, along with firework activities.



Children in need This year we will be doing a 'Sponsored Dance with Duggee' throughout the week of 12-16th November with all the children. Sponsor forms will be given out soon. Look out for other activities going on at nursery



Throughout December the children will be making plenty of Christmas crafts to go home.

10th December- Butterflies and Squirrels Christmas party 2.45-4pm (all children can come along)

 11^{th} December Foxes Christmas Party 2.30-4pm (all children can come along).

12th December Hedgehogs Christmas Nativity 2-2.30 at St Paul's Church

13th December Hedgehogs Christmas Party 2-4pm (all children can come along)

Week 1th December - Fun week to wear your Christmas Jumpers Friday 21st December Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 19th December 10.30 showing of the Christmas Panto at the gatehouse theatre 'Rock and Roll Dick Whittington' for Hedgehogs children.

If you would your child to go it will Cost £10.00 (cash) Please pay and book at the office, it will be on a first come first served basis.

We are planning more events and activities please look out for posters and letters.

Key worker meetings are being booked for week 19th and 26th November any time that suits you. The meetings will take around 20 minutes as we need to discuss and get feedback on what you have been working on at home with your child from the targets that were discussed at your previous meeting. We will then discuss what we are going to work on at nursery as next targets. This is to help with your child's development at home and nursery.

Reminders

We are experiencing more and more parents/ carers letting other people through the security door without buzzing their child's room. This is a breach of safeguarding and security for your child. Please DO NOT let anyone in behind you, they must wait until they have given their password and let in by a staff member.

Please can you pass this on to anyone who collect's and drops of your child from nursery.

Please can you ensure your child has a bag (labelled) and a spare change of clothes to bring to nursery every day. We only have a small amount of spare clothe and we are running low very quickly.

All children must bring a bag with spare clothes in daily

Can we also ask that you check that you are picking up the correct belongings for your child.

<u>Hedgehogs</u>- can all parents provide your child with a PE kit to stay at nursery. T-shirt, shorts, pumps/trainers (everything labelled)

Absences

If your child is absent from nursery please can you call nursery to inform the manager.

We are experiencing more and more children not turning up without a phone call.

Thank you.

Medication

If your child is on medication please leave yourself enough time to fill out the medication forms at nursery.

We are experiencing children requiring inhalers are more and more often now. Once again the medication forms need to be filled out correctly to ensure your child has the correct dosage etc.

Safety

Please can we stress to you that you ${\bf must}\ {\bf not}\ {\bf carry}\ {\bf your}\ {\bf child}\ {\bf up}\ {\bf and}\ {\bf down}\ {\bf the}\ {\bf stairs}\ {\bf at}\ {\bf nursery}.$

It is really important that you adhere to this safety notice.

<u>Little kickers</u>- will be running again from October. If your child is 2 and over they can pay to join in with this physical programme. it will be held on a Tuesday 9.30-10.30 @ £3.00 per session. You can pay weekly or a calendar month, must be cash as we have to pay them directly.

Please as office for information.

Christmas cards

The children will be designing their own Christmas over the next month. Once they are complete you will be asked if you would like to buy a pack- details of purchase will follow with shortly.

We will ensure all orders will be placed in time for Christmas.

Parent App - 1st Steps

We are trying to encourage all parents to complete child observations at home and send them to us via the app, if unsure how to do them please ask a member of staff.

Please check the daily diaries regularly for messages, even if your child may not be in on that day. If you have any questions or messages to pass onto the staff you can do this via the app and we will respond as quickly as possible.