



May 2021

Summer Term

We are enjoying a lovely Summer Term, all we need now is for the weather to warm up for us! Please could we ask that once the warmer weather arrives you support us in keeping your little ones safe in the sun, particularly as we will still be spending the majority of our time outdoors.

- It is our expectation that **all parents/carers apply sun cream** to their child's skin **before** their nursery sessions. Using the creams offering longer protection help us enormously, otherwise staff will be spending lots of valuable time re-applying sun cream rather than playing with the children!
- Ensure that your child wears clothing that covers more sensitive areas- for example, your child **must** wear clothing that covers their shoulders; no vests/tops with thin straps.
- We recommend that closed toe shoes are worn rather than sandals due to time spent in the woods and risk of injury to toes when playing with our large construction resources and bikes.
- Please provide your child with a **named sun hat**, hats with a wide brim or the caps that offer protection to the back of their necks are recommended.
- We will, as always, encourage the children to drink plenty of fluids.



Staff Changes

As you may know, Emmalene Chisholm, our Parent Support Advisor covering Dominika's maternity leave is no longer working with us. We are looking forward to welcoming Dominika back to Nursery in August- her working days will be Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you have any worries or concerns before then please make contact with Hayley, Kathryn or one of the Room Leaders who will be able to provide support and/or direct you to other services. The Just One Norfolk website offers a huge amount of advice and support- <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/> as does the Early Childhood and Family Service- <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/children-and-families/early-childhood-and-family-service>

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Rhianne on Friday 4th June who will be leaving us to progress in a Room Leader role at another Nursery. Rhianne has worked at the Nursery for almost 8 years and she will be sorely missed by staff and children alike. However, we are sure that you will join us in thanking Rhianne for all her hard work and wish her all the very best in her exciting adventure!

We look forward to welcoming our new Clerical Assistant, Ang Lett who is hoping to join us in July following a move to Norfolk. We are sure that you will help us to give her a warm welcome!

Coronavirus

We are still working hard to ensure that the children, families, staff and the wider community remain as safe as possible in light of the pandemic that has turned our world upside down over the last 14 months. We cannot thank you enough for working with us over this challenging period- it is hugely appreciated and we strongly believe that our limited experience with the virus is down to our collective commitment to each other. As you will know, we are slowly progressing and looking forward to welcoming increased social contact with our friends and families which has been sorely missed. Please support us by continuing to follow the school and nursery procedures for the rest of the Summer Term. It remains absolutely essential that we all continue to act with caution with regard to any symptoms of Coronavirus that may be experienced- individuals with symptoms must book a PCR test without delay and the whole household must isolate, following NHS guidelines once results are received (lateral flow test results are not adequate). Please keep us updated if you are affected, this will help us to respond quickly should we need to instruct close contacts of any positive result to isolate. More information can be found in the 'Documents' section on Tapestry and also on the NHS website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

We would like to remind you that if Calpol or similar medication has been administered to your child before their Nursery session they will be unable to attend.



Thank you!



Belongings

Many thanks for helping us to reduce the amount of belongings brought in and out of Nursery on a daily basis. We will now begin to return your child's belongings (spare clothes and bottles kept at Nursery) and ask that you send in a bag containing spare clothing and a drink on a sessional basis.

As always, we cannot stress enough the importance of naming all belongings (particularly outer layers such as jumpers, cardigans, coats, hats and footwear). The children are developing their independence skills and we know that things get confused at times and recognise how frustrating this is for you too!



Dates for your diary...

- *Friday 28th May- Last day of this half term*
- *Tuesday 1st-Friday 4th June - Half Term, Nursery open to all-year-round children only (Nursery closed Monday 31st May for Bank Holiday)*
- *Monday 7th June- Back to nursery for term time children*
- *Wednesday 21st July- Last day of Summer Term*
- *Nursery Closed- w/b 16th and 23rd August*
- *Nursery Closed- Bank Holiday, Monday 30th August*
- *Nursery Closed for Staff Inset Day, Friday 3rd September*