

Alexandra Nursery School Newsletter September 2019

A warm welcome to Autumn term at Alexandra Nursery school.

We welcome the returning children and the new children who will be joining us in the following weeks.

I realise that as a new parent leaving your child for the first time at Nursery School is a huge step and all of the staff hope to make this induction period as smooth and easy possible for the children and parents!

Please feel assured that every year, children may become upset when left at nursery. They may also seem fine for the first few days or weeks and then start to become upset. We can assure you that this is all perfectly normal and part of the settling in process.

Please speak to Key Workers for reassurance that your child has had snack, been to the toilet, played with friends and for any other general information that you need.

I am available most days at the main door if you would like to come in and see me for anything at all. No question is too big or small.

Reminders

Dirty Clothes – As part of the curriculum, we must play outside every day. Fresh air and natural day light are really healthy for children. Cold weather does **not** create colds. Children need exposure to germs to help them to build a healthy immune system. Please check your child's bag every day and take home wet and dirty clothes.

Labelling Clothes – Please remember to write your child's name in all items of clothing.

Wellies and Socks – Please can you donate any spare wellies and socks to the Over 3's. They are running low.

Quarrels and Incidents – In every Nursery setting, children may argue, smack, bite, kick, call names, develop friendships and opinions that can be quite testing. However, Personal, Social and Emotional Development is the area of learning that underpins the rest of the curriculum that we teach in Nursery School. There will undoubtedly be incidents that arise as a result, as we use the strategies that we have been trained to use, to support and teach children during this stage in their development and learning.

School Uniform – Office staff are now taking orders for our new school uniform. Please see Office staff in the main entrance for prices and sizes.

Parent Governor - We have a vacancy on the Governing Board. If you are interested in education/ finance/ supporting the school further, please ask for more information at the Office.

Safeguarding - See the website for our safeguarding policy and useful links to other safeguarding websites.



Did you know??

Getting your child to Nursery School on time really matters.

NURSERY EDUCATION REALLY MATTERS!

Alexandra Nursery School has qualified Teachers and highly experienced staff that are here to educate your child, through a play based approach.

Together times, when focussed teaching takes place, are held at the start of each session. If you are late getting your child to nursery, they will miss a very important part of their school session.

Over a School Year, if your child is late every day by ...

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5 minutes	15 hours from School	1 week
10 minutes	31 hours from School	2 weeks
15 minutes	47 hours from School	3 weeks
20 minutes	63 hours from School	4 weeks
30 minutes	95 hours from School	6 weeks

Please encourage punctuality, to maintain school attendance and prepare your child for attending Primary School.

Remember absence/lateness = lost opportunity.

Please aim to make appointments outside of the school day. Taking your child out mid school session can be quite disruptive.

Did you know we have Key workers who speak a range of languages.



Nelja speaks Hungarian, Russian, Ukrainian, Serbian



Christele speaks French



Hajra speaks Gujarati and Urdu



Farhana speaks Gujarati and Urdu



Zahida speaks Gujarati



Henna speaks Urdu

If you would like any further information about the contents of the letter, please ring or see me at pick up and drop off times. **Miss McDonagh.**

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