

# Newsletter September 2018

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## Welcome Back Hope you all had a lovely summer



### Dates for your Diary

#### Term dates

October Half term  
Mon 29<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov  
Term starts Monday  
5<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Term ends 21<sup>st</sup> Dec  
Nursery closes for a  
week at Christmas  
24<sup>th</sup> Dec - 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan  
2018

Term starts 6<sup>th</sup> Jan  
2018.

#### Dates of events

Tempest Photo day  
17<sup>TH</sup> October 2017  
Children in need 12<sup>th</sup> -  
16<sup>th</sup> November 2017  
Parents evening 21<sup>st</sup>  
November 2017  
Christmas dinner 5<sup>th</sup>  
December 2017  
Christmas Party 13<sup>th</sup>  
December 2017  
Christmas Jumper Day  
14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

**Please keep looking  
for more details in  
your child's room or  
ask your child's  
keyperson**

### What is happening in nursery?

Exciting times! Over the summer we have been having some extensive work done at nursery. We have had it all rewired, some new windows and have had it decorated and new flooring in the rooms. We have also had a new CCTV system fitted.

There have been some changes in staff/rooms over the summer. Baby room staff are: Becca senior with, Jasmine and Lamishah Tweenie staff are: Vanisha and Jodie joint seniors with Mariam and Harriet. Pre School staff are: Natalie and Andrea seniors who will be in both rooms, Jo, Keresha, Barbara and upstairs we have Amy and Shannon OOSC staff are: Amy, Mariam, Rebecca and Keresha

If you have any questions or are unsure of your child's key person please feel free to ask.

### Themed Days

We are having:  
Poland Day 25<sup>th</sup> September with a Polish themed day;  
Canada Day 17<sup>th</sup> October with a Canadian themed day  
Please feel free to dress your child in the colours of the country's flag.

Children in need we will be doing activities throughout the week starting 12<sup>th</sup> Nov and on the Friday we will be dressing up as super heroes.

### Family Learning Events

Our Family Learning events aim to help parents get more involved in their children's learning. Below are dates for our family learning events?  
Preschool - 10<sup>th</sup> October 10am - 11.00am  
Tweenies - 31<sup>st</sup> October 10am - 11.00am  
Babies - 4<sup>th</sup> October 10am - 11.00 am  
Please look out for more details about what we will be learning.

## Parent Partnership/Home Learning

We are hoping to involve parents more in their child's learning as parental involvement in a child's education from an early age has a positive effect on education achievement. By working closely with us to build positive relationships, we can provide opportunities for you to be fully involved in your child's care and education. We are introducing a home learning sheet which shares your child's next steps and will give you ideas on how to extend this at home.

We will also be putting up on our home learning board termly ideas for you to do at home. Please check our home learning board's for ideas.

Please can we remind parents that if you have any changes to your personal detail to inform a member of staff.

Please can you provide your child with suitable clothing as the weather is beginning to change and also spare clothes would be helpful.

Please could you write your child's name in clothes as this would help.

### Babies

The babies are looking at exploring with textures and media through play. They will be exploring and experimenting with a range of media through sensory exploration, and using whole body. Please can we remind parents to bring suitable outdoor footwear for your child as we like to play outside.

### Tweenies

This term tweenies are looking at settling in the new children and looking at the interests. They will be doing this by enjoying pictures and stories about themselves, their families and other people.

### Pre school

Pre school are looking at Amazing Me, We are learning about some of the things that make us unique, how we are all different, exploring our feelings and talking about our families.

The children in preschool will be given the opportunity to take home a learning bag. This is for you to share with your child and spend time together playing and learning.

## Nursery Education Funding

Don't forget when your child turns three; they will be eligible for 15 hours free funding. Your child will receive this funding the term after they have turned three.

We are offering the 30 hours early education and childcare please ask a member of staff for more details.

Tax-Free Childcare and 30 hours free early education and childcare are a government schemes to help parents with the cost of childcare. Both schemes can be applied for through a single online application.

Please see the link below

<http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/.../c.../30-hours-free-childcare.aspx>

For those children attending the 15 or 30 funding hours there is a sundries charge to cover snacks and meals. This is £3.00 for a morning session and £2.00 for an afternoon session. This is now being invoiced and needs to be paid at the beginning of the term or the beginning of every week. This will still be charged if your child is off and you have not given us at least a week's notice. If you would like to bring in a packed lunch/tea and snacks for your child please speak to a member of staff in your child's room.

### Fees

Please can we remind you that fees must be paid in advance.

Fee's in arrears now will have a weekly charge of £25.00. If you are two weeks or more in arrears your child's place will be suspended until all outstanding fees have been cleared. If your child is absent from nursery unless it is a booked holiday then fees will have to be paid including sickness. If your child attends nursery full time then you are entailed to 2 weeks half fee holiday which runs from January to December.