

Nursery Newsletter

Autumn

2024



Welcome to our Autumn Newsletter

Progress Summaries

Progress summaries are a summative assessment of your child's development, completed by their key worker.

Staff are starting to complete these and you will receive these on the children's EyLog by the end of November.

Once you have received the report, if you would like to arrange a face-to-face chat with the key worker, please let me know and I will arrange a time. Karen

Medication and illness

A reminder we cannot administer Calpol to children unless it is after they have had an immunisation vaccine. Calpol can mask an array of symptoms.

If a child is suffering with a high temperature that requires them to go home, we will give a dose of Calpol with parental agreement whilst we are waiting for them to be collected.

We can administer prescription medication if the child is well enough to attend nursery.

At this time of the year, it is very normal for bugs and colds, however if your child is not well, please consider if they are well enough to attend nursery, they need to be able to join in and feel happy. We ask everyone to please play their part in helping to reduce the spreading of germs to other children and staff.

Tea Towels and Christmas Cards

Each Christmas we produce a Tea Towel, this has the hand or footprints of our younger children and self-portraits of the older children.

We sell them as a charity fundraiser, and they make lovely little gifts for family members and the child's memory box. We only order the number required so orders need to be placed ahead of time. They cost £5.00 each.

Each child also makes their own Christmas card which can then be ordered and produced professionally for families to send to friends and relatives. The proof will be sent home in November.

Christmas



Christmas Events

Below is a quick list so it can be planned into work diaries, we will then send out more details closer to the time

Thursday 12th December – Piglets and Eeyore's. Family craft session. 10.15am – 11.30am. a chance to come and do some Christmas themed activities

Thursday 12th December –Tiggers, Pooh's and Owls. All children (even if not a normal nursery day) Christmas Party at the Church Centre. 10.30am – 1.00pm entertainment, party lunch and a visit from Santa.

Tuesday 17th December. – Christmas celebration at the church centre. 4.30pm-5.15pm
A small performance by Owls room, with some Christmas singing from Tiggers and Pooh's.

Halloween Dress up



The week commencing Monday 28th October we are inviting everyone to dress up, this can be a cute Halloween costume or whatever they would like.

Staff will be joining in on Thursday 31st.



Photographer visit

We will be having the photographer visit the nursery on

Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th November 2024

All children who attend nursery on those days will have them taken whilst here. Siblings will be taken individually and together.

If your child does not attend on these days and you wish to have a photo, please book a timeslot with the office. There is no obligation to buy the proofs.

Holidays and absence from Nursery

If your child/ren will be absent from Nursery due to holidays or illness please could you let us know by e-mailing the office, this helps us if other families need extra sessions and for organising staffing.



We love to see your child's activities and events and read your feedback comments.

Please keep using your eyLog

If you have any queries, please come and ask us.

Clothing and shoes

Having waved goodbye to summer, the weather is now becoming cooler.

Please can you ensure your child is dressed for the weather, we continue to keep windows open aiding airflow and helping to keep germs at bay, the children still spend lots of time in the garden. If they are dressed in layers, we can strip them down as needed.

Please can all walking children have a pair of slippers or inside shoes at nursery to change into.

Coats and Car Seats

Just a reminder a padded coat worn in a car seat will compress in an emergency stop and not hold your child securely in the seat. Coats off and blanket over the top

Staff at Topsham House

Piglets

Alice and Gavi

Eeyore's

Carolyn and Sue

Tiggers

Nikki, Courtney and Megan

Pooh's

Catherine, Rebecca and Chloe

Owls

Robyn, Sharon and Leah

Kitchen

Karon – Cook

Jackie – Kitchen assistant

Office

Karen (Manager) Mon - Thurs

Susan (Owner) ad-hoc

Anne (Administrator) Mon – Fri 7.45am -1.45pm

Christmas Holiday

Term time and funded only children finish on Friday 20th December.

Nursery closes at 1pm on Tuesday 24th December for everyone else.

We re-open on for all children on Thursday 2nd January 2025

