



Newsletter
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Welcome

Welcome to the North Leeds Community Nursery Newsletter. In this edition you can read about recent events and up and coming activities.

Nursery Christmas Closing

The nursery will close on Friday 21st December and re-open on Wednesday 2nd January. We hope you all have a lovely rest and enjoy some quality family time together.

FEEE Funding

For children accessing the FEEE only funding, sessions will commence from the week of the 7th January 19.

Christmas party

Thank you to everyone who contributed food and drink for the party. This year we planned the parties differently so that the babies and older children could enjoy their own room celebrations. This worked really well and all the children especially the babies were so much more settled. All the children had so much fun playing party games, singing and eating yummy food. Thank you to 'Santa' for visiting the nursery this year. The Rainbow room thoroughly enjoyed hiding behind the furniture watching you place all the presents under the tree. You made it very magical!

Dates for your diary

This week dates for your diary 2019 will be given out. We will place a copy in your pigeon holes and send an electronic copy.

Hygge! (pronounced hoo-ga)

We are slowly introducing the Danish lifestyle of being 'cosy' during these long dark winter days. We have placed some twinkle lights in the book corner in the Rainbow room and would like to place some LED battery operated candles and lamps around both rooms. If you have any unwanted LED candles or lamps please could you donate them to nursery. We are also in need of warm, neutral blankets that

Reading Scheme

Please could you have a look at home and return any books before we close for Christmas on Friday 21st December. There are quite a few missing. We will update the boxes in the New year.

Well done to all the children who have received certificates over the year. You are all 'Reading Superstars'!

Room activity updates.

Have you seen Santa's workshop? The children in the Rainbow room have been very busy making toys, writing letters and getting ready to deliver presents to help Santa prepare for the big day!

We also have a selection of winter activities for the children to access. These will be out over the winter period. There is an activity sheet for you take home and complete with your children on the Winter display board outside the Rainbow room. The sheet this term focuses on Mathematics.

The Sunshine room children will also be accessing a variety of winter activities. The tuff trays currently have Christmas oats and decorations and on the round table is cinnamon scented play dough.

To see what the children have been doing throughout their time at nursery please remember to look in your child's profiles and 'like' us on Facebook as we put regular updates on there.

Firefighters Charity

Thank you to everyone for your donations of clothes to the Firefighters Charity. The nursery itself raised £6.90.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who baked and donated cakes/buns etc. We raised a fantastic £84.55 which will help support those children less fortunate than our own.

Car park

Due to the library services claiming a quarter of the car park for their use, please could we ask that parents **do not** leave their cars in the car park whilst at work. The car park at times can become very busy and this leaves parents struggling to find a safe place to park to access the nursery.

Book Fair

Unfortunately we did not manage to raise enough money to purchase any new books from the sales of the book fair. Given that we are only a small setting we would need to sell a lot of books to benefit from the scheme.

Winter clothing

Please can you ensure that your children come to nursery in appropriate clothing for the appropriate seasons. Each child should be bringing in a hat, scarf, gloves and wellies, to keep the cold and wet at bay. Please could you ensure that all items of winter clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name as we are often finding gloves, hats and scarves in the nursery and do not know who they belong to.

For parents in the Sunshine Room now that the weather has turned and wet and muddy could we ask that you remove your shoes before entering the room. This should hopefully keep the floor dry and clean for the babies who are crawling.

Staffing Updates

Unfortunately Bethany Hardy in the baby room decided not to pursue her apprenticeship with us due to a period of ill health.

Danielle Rice is currently working in the baby room as a bank staff member but would like something more permanent in the new year.

Congratulations to Catriona, Jonny and Emily on the safe arrival of Sylvie born on 17/11/18 weighing 8lbs 9oz. Mum and family are doing great!

40th Nursery Birthday Celebrations

The date for the nurseries 40th birthday celebrations will be on Saturday 22nd June. Please keep this date free as it should be a great day for all attending. Simon the Chair and Elaine met with the local councilors last week to ask for their involvement in planning and supporting the big day.

If as a parent / carer you would like to be involved with the planning please let a staff member know as we will be planning a meeting in the new year.

Upcoming events & Dates for your diary

- Friday 21st December - nursery closes for Christmas.
- Wednesday 2nd January nursery opens
- FEEE Funding commences from 7th January'19