



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.

Training day

The nursery will be closed on Tuesday 5th March for a staff training day. We are hoping to have some training on Diabetes in Children in preparation for a child joining the setting in April. We will also be refreshing our first aid skills and catching up on profile, paperwork and refreshing the rooms.

FEEE Funding

For children accessing the FEEE only funding your child will not attend during the week of the 18th February.

World Book Week!

During the week of the 4th March we will be celebrating world book week. Children may bring in their favorite stories and dress up as their favorite character from a book. During this week look out for 'we're going on a bear hunt' garden activity.

We will also be doing the book swap. Here you can bring in any unwanted books and swap them for another book. The books are to keep and you do not need to return them. This will take place in the corridor. You may bring in any type of books whether it be for children or adults.

Website

We have a photographer who will be coming into nursery on the 26th February to take some pictures of the children playing in the nursery to go on our website. We are mindful that some parents have not consented to their children being placed on advertising material therefore we will ensure your child will not be in any of these pictures. If anybody else has any objections please let a staff member

Reading Scheme

We still have quite a few books missing especially from the Rainbow room box. Please could you check at home and return by the W/E 2nd March.

We have now placed the stamp for the children's cards in the orange pot on the wall, this is where completed cards will also be placed. Kepp up the Reading!

Room activity updates.

Space!

The Rainbow room have been exploring the wonders of space this term. The children have had the opportunity to explore the universe by playing in the space station, making and designing their own planets and painting rockets and aliens. The children have been looking at the moon every day when they go out to play looking for the 'man in the moon'! Do take a sheet home to do with your child that is on the Space display in the corridor.

The Sunshine room children have been investigating winter. They have used different textures and tones of blues in the tuft tray to represent the cold and ice. They will be freezing vinyl gloves filled with water and letting them melt, along with ice cubes and doing a range of snowy tree prints. Do take a winter treasure bag home with you that is located on the winter display board outside the Sunshine room.

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 this month. The nursery itself raised £5.40

Contact details

Please can you ensure that nursery is kept up to date with new email addresses and phone numbers. We use these on a regular basis and are a vital part of keeping in contact with you for updates and emergencies.

Lost property

We have a lost property basket situated in the Hallway on the large cupboard. Please check this regularly for any missing items.

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.

Photographers

We have booked a photographer to come to nursery to take pictures of your children on Tuesday 4th June. This year we will try and organise a 2019 leavers group photograph. More information regarding this date will be given out later in the year.

We also have a photographer coming on Tuesday 26th February to take pictures of the nursery for the website. A letter will be sent home with an 'opt out' option if you do not wish your child to be photographed. (those parents who have already opted out of their child being part of any nursery media material on the consent forms will not be part of this activity)

Staffing Updates

Congratulations to Alex, Kevin, Jonathan and Anna on the safe arrival of Eloise Fitzgerald. Eloise was born on the 25th January weighing 5lb 12oz.

We have been successful in appointing a temporary member of staff to work in the Rainbow room whilst Alex remains on maternity leave. Elizabeth (Liz) will be starting on Tuesday 25th February. Her working days will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

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.

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 various meetings to discuss progress.

Upcoming events & Dates for your diary

- W/C 18th February No FEEE funding available for FEEE funded places only.
- Heather Holden taking pictures of the nursery for the new website.
- W/C 4th March World book week and book swap week.
- 5th March - Nursery **closed** all day for staff training.