



Newsletter

2-3s Nursery December 2018

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Dear parents and carers

December has arrived and we can finally begin to use the 'C' word (Christmas) with the children. You should have received your Festive letter informing you of the dates and events coming up. The 2-3s Celebration is a really special event and it is important that each child has a member of their family there to share the experience with. If you have any problems or are unsure of your date, just ask Tracey, Sue or a member of the team.



Friday 14th December - Christmas Jumper Day
in aid of Save the Children

**Friday 14th December or Monday 17th
December** - 2-3s Christmas Celebration - see
your separate letter

Wednesday 19th December - last day of term
and pyjama day!

Thurs 20th December to Friday 4th January -
Nursery closed for Christmas

Monday 7th January - Nursery re opens

Tuesday 15th January - Admissions deadline
for 3-5s Nursery

Fri 28th June - INSET Day - Nursery closed

Thursday 18th July - last day of Nursery
sessions

*New dates added



Save the Children - We will be supporting
Save the Children Christmas Jumper day on
Friday 14th December. Please donate £1 in
return for your child wearing their festive
clothing. It may coincide with your child's 2-
3s Christmas Celebration - if that is the
case, why don't you join in too!

FOND Christmas Raffle - Tickets are on
sale for the FOND Raffle. They are £1 each
and some great prizes are on up for grabs!
Don't forget to purchase your tickets before
its too late.

Admissions for 3-5s - You will have recently
received a letter asking for your preference
for the 3-5s Nursery, your options are
morning, afternoon or our +15 sessions (for
these you need to meet working criteria and
have a code from the Childcare Choices
website). Please make sure your form is
returned to Sarah in the office so that we
can prioritise the admissions for our current
families with good attendance.

Car parking/dropping off - there continue to be a very small number of parents in the car park at the beginning and end of sessions and being dropped off by a family member who is then waiting for them, or parking in the residents bays for the flats. Our car park is not big enough for this to happen and our spaces are reserved for families in our SEN unit or with a disabled permit. Please use alternative car parks when being dropped off and collected and walk the short distance to nursery.

We have also been asked by Pet's Corner to remind parents not to use their car park as this is for their customers only. Parents have previously received penalty notices for parking there.

Attendance - please remember to call us if your child will be absent for illness or appointments. Sarah will call to follow up all unexplained absences and if we are unable to contact you, we will then make contact with your emergency numbers.

Regular attendance is very important, especially those who attend in a funded place. Places can be withdrawn by the Governing body if there is not a good pattern of attendance, and it also impacts on our admission to the 3-5s Nursery. We are extremely oversubscribed, therefore, we ask those of you who have been fortunate to be allocated a place to make every effort to attend.

Clothes - the children often remove clothes and shoes at nursery (for a variety of reasons) and therefore keeping track of them can be a challenge. Please can we ask that you label clothes and shoes as much as possible, so that we can return belongings to the rightful owners.

Lunches - if your child is settled into nursery and you would like to extend their session until 12.30pm with a cooked lunch, please talk to your key person. Lunch club is £8.50 daily.

Children's Centre Consultation - Thank you so much to those who have completed the consultation already and shown their support for the Children's Centre. The consultation is open until Friday 4th January, so there is still time to do so. Our news page on our website has lots of information on it you to help you - please visit it and read carefully.

<http://www.dorkingnurserychildrenscentre.org.uk/news/childrens-centre-consultation-help-us-help-you>

We are attending the Local Council Meeting on Wednesday 12th December, 1.30pm, and asking parents to join us outside and in the chambers for the meeting. The more the merrier - if you are able to, please come along.

Regards
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Headteacher

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