



Dear Parents and Carers

**** June 2021 Nursery Update ****

Finally the sunny weather looks like it is here to stay (if it rains now – we don't take any responsibility 😊)

We hope you are all keeping well, we wanted to send a few reminders this month so please have a good read.

Of course, this month has had a very exciting start as we have had our very first OFSTED inspection! We had a great day, and the inspector was a pleasure to have with us – of course a little daunting but all the staff did amazingly well to really show them a day at the friendly fish! We have already received the draft report – this then takes up to 30 days to publish – but we will keep a check and send you the link out asap 😊

We are absolutely loving our new garden, and spending as much time outside as possible, three important reminders also link with the garden, and we ask these to ensure your child's safety – please remember we assume you have sun creamed your child each morning and go out in the morning without topping this up.

Please remember the following at all times:

****Closed Toed shoes****

****Please always wear socks****

****Please apply sun cream every morning – regardless of the morning weather****

If you are still to bring in a named hat and sun cream that can remain here, please do so asap so we don't have to limit your little one outside.

Parking: Thank you to parents who are parking considerately and safely now outside the nursery. Now it is getting sunny the beach will soon get busy and although there are parking restrictions in surrounding roads over the summer months, we ask you all to take extra care of your little ones in coming months as traffic will undoubtedly become busy again.

Covid19 Risk Assessment guidance: Just quick update – we still have guidance to follow RE: covid19, so for now staggered starts and drop offs and collections will continue as they are. Room transitions are remaining

as they are without taster session for the new room – but do not worry we will give you plenty of warning and staff will have a chat with you to help you prepare 😊

Staff will continue lateral flow testing as advised. Toys from home will still be restricted please. We have still not been undertaking physical viewings for prospective nurseries – we are proposing to re-instate these from 21st June dependent on guidance at the time – if we do go ahead, rest assured prospective families will still not be going into the rooms where children are – they will be able to get a view from the corridors, they will be asked to wear a mask and we will only have one visit per day which we of course will keep all details for with regards to track and trace. Our heightened cleaning routines will remain in place as guidance has not changed so we continue to completely sterilise and deep clean every area daily. Please remember if your little ones show any symptoms at all of covid19 they will need to go for a PCR test – the lateral flow tests many of us have at home now are for asymptomatic testing and are not appropriate testing for those with symptoms. Although the world is getting back to some kind of normality – we ask you to remain alert, and of course do not bring your child in to us if they are unwell. Please continue to wear a mask face covering at collection. The early pick ups will remain in place for now, again until guidance changes on the amount of sterilising and cleaning, we need to do daily – its just impossible for us to fit it all in and be able to offer the 6pm pick up again at the moment – of course when guidance is relaxed on this and we can, we will update you asap.

Should anyone have any queries please let me know, but rest assured we are still doing everything possible to keep your littles ones safe whilst with us.

Some continued info if your child will be moving rooms (in just a bit more detail)

Restrictions on children transitioning rooms due to Covid19: If your child is due to move to the next age group, we have had to revise how we do this due to government guidelines. Our old procedure included a variety of visits each week for a month to the next age group. This unfortunately cannot happen as it would mean mixing age group bubbles; we will be speaking to you individually if your child is affected, as transitions will be immediate at this time. We are very lucky that the children know all the staff which will help make the transition easier and wherever possible we are moving children in small group's so they go up with friends. We have had children move rooms already and they have all settled quickly and are enjoying exploring their new surroundings. Staff are being extra supportive with these children and making sure they are quickly settled and feel comfortable in their new surroundings.

An additional note, there may be a slight delay in your child transitioning to their next room. However, please be assured this will have no effect on their development as your child's key person will continue to provide challenging activities for your child at their level.

There is a visual tour available on our website and Facebook page – if your child is moving room, do take a look so you can refresh yourselves with the preschool rooms or indeed we know some of you have not been able to see upstairs at all – we appreciate this is difficult, so we hope you being able to take a look inside will be helpful 😊

Facebook Page: If you have not already, please do not forget to like our Facebook page! We put regular updates on there as well as pictures and videos of all the fantastic activities we get up too! Also, we would love any reviews from you all on the 'review' section of the page if you have a spare couple of minutes! 😊

Please wear a mask face covering at collection; please only bring into nursery what you need too

Dates for your diary:

Term ends: Friday 23rd July 2021 for our term time only families. For school leavers this means w/c 19th July will be your last week with us 😞

Those remaining with us – Term commences again from Thursday 2nd September 2021

NOTE School Leavers: Those who are not Term time only – you have no set leaving date, remember you need to give us 4 weeks written notice of your child's leave date. If you need your child to remain with us for any dates in September, please let us know ASAP so we can check availability for you and confirm.

Christmas 2021 closure week: W/C 27th December 2021 inclusive

Kind Regards,

Natalie and the Nursery Team