



Autumn Term Newsletter

We hope you all had a lovely summer. We had a busy time at Nursery preparing our older children for school and wishing them well as they left us.

Welcome to our new families starting this term, we look forward to getting to know you!

Welcome to our new staff

We'd like to take this opportunity to introduce Kelsie, Roxy, Saffron and Maria to our nursery family. Kelsie is Level 3 qualified and works predominantly in Baby room, Roxy has joined us as our Apprentice, Saffron and Maria are new to childcare but have their own families and lots of experience working in schools and within the community, making them an invaluable contribution to our team.



New Winter Menu:

Please find attached the winter menu. If you have any queries or dietary requirements regarding your child (unless already advised) please speak to a member of the team.

This Term in the Baby Room:

As the weather takes a chilly turn we are focusing on an Autumnal theme with painting and craft using natural materials and a new woodland animals display. As Christmas approaches we will be getting messy with paint and glitter, singing Christmas songs and dancing to Christmas music.

This Term in the Nursery Room:

We will be creating autumn and pumpkin pictures, talking about fireworks and staying safe when going to see them. Following this we will be going into Christmas Celebrations so be prepared for glitter covered clothing as we create our festive masterpieces.

This time of year is great for walks. If you pick up anything while you're out and about we are happy to add them to our indoor/outdoor trays

Things to Remember:

- ✓ Warm and waterproof coats
- ✓ Waterproof Paddlesuits for the under 2's
- ✓ Wellies
- ✓ Winter hat
- ✓ Spare warm clothes

Please label all items with your child's name to avoid 'mix ups'

We will be outside whatever the weather and continuing lots of craft activities and messy play

Christmas Gift Idea - Nursery Photos!

Barrett and Co 'Memories2Treasure' will be at Nursery all morning on Wednesday 8th November.

All of our families are welcome to come in to have professional photos taken of your children for you to then order in time for Christmas. The photo session is complimentary and any orders you wish to place after seeing the proofs can be made with Memories2Treasure.

Please let the nursery team know if you would like to attend (see the poster on the nursery windows for more information)

Christmas Stay and Plays

We invite you to join us for our Christmas Stay and Play mornings on the 13th and 19th December. The perfect opportunity to meet your child's friends, other parents and chat to the team.

There will be festive activities, Christmas music and we'd love for a coffee/ crepe van and a "reindeer" , so if you know anyone locally that would like to set up their stall in our carpark for the events, please let us know.



Dates for your Diary

- **Wednesday 8th November: Professional photographer from 9am**
- **Friday 17th November: Children in Need – come in wearing spots!**
- **4th – 8th December: Christmas jumper week**
- **Wednesday 13th December: Christmas Stay and Play (1) 9am – 11am**
- **Tuesday 19th December: Christmas Stay and Play (2) 9am – 11am**
- **NURSERY CLOSED:
Monday 25th – Friday 29th December
Monday 1st January**

Oral Hygiene

With the current shortage in dentist appointments we'll be doing our bit to help the children understand the importance of looking after their teeth, eating healthily and getting into good teeth brushing habits. We are working in partnership with the Community Dental Services 'Healthy Smiles' scheme and by the new year will introduce teeth brushing as a daily activity after breakfast. Toothbrushes and toothpaste will be provided so all we need is consent that your child can take part in brushing their teeth. Please find the consent form attached to complete and return to us.

Free Dental Screening for under 5's is currently available locally. For more information please see: www.ecfsplay.co.uk/dentalscreening



Starting school in 2024?

The closing date for Primary School applications is Monday 15th January 2024.

For more info or to apply online see:

www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-admissions/admission-to-reception-classes

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us either by email georgi@blofieldnursery.com, pop in to see us or give us a call anytime.

Wishing you a fun packed Autumn from us all at the 'Pink House'

Gill (Nursery Room leader), Kathryn (Baby Room leader), Annie, Laura, Megan, Maria, Julie, Saffronn, Roxy, Vicky (our amazing childcare practitioners) Christine (lunchtime cook), Carol (teatime cook), Georgi (The Manager), David and Betty (the owners) and Hugo (woof)