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Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a lovely summer break. We are looking forward to hearing the children's stories about what they have been up to over the holidays! If you have any photos or postcards from your holidays please could you bring these in and we can put them on our holiday's board for all the children to see.

Welcome to our new children and their families!

We would like to welcome all of the new children and their families to Sunny Days. We are really looking forward to getting to know you and helping you make lots of friends.

As the first few weeks of term can take a little getting used to please support one another and make new friends feel welcome. We will be concentrating on getting to know you all and settling the children, learning about their likes and dislikes and the way that they learn and develop.

Please bring in any photos of your family for our key person boards that we will be making.

We also welcome Alice and Jenny from Pre-school and Lucy, our new Apprentice!



Literacy Week

26th – 30th September

We have lots of fun activities for everyone from babies to adults to encourage a love of books including book bags to go home, dressing up, etc. The focus this year is Roald Dahl and children can dress up in their favorite Roald Dahl characters on Friday 30th September!



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Story and Rhyme of the Month

Babies – As so many of the babies are interested in animal at the moment and practicing animal sounds our story is "Cock-a-moo moo" written by Juliet Dallas-Conté and our song is "Old Mac Donald had a farm" which everyone knows to sing along with!

Toddlers – As the children are all getting used to their mums leaving and understanding that they always come back we thought "Owl Babies" written by Martin Waddell is a lovely, appropriate story and our song is the "Good morning" song so everyone can learn it and feel welcome in the morning!

Concept Photography

We will be having individual photographs taken of the children on Tuesday 18th October 8.30-12pm. If you would like your child to have their photo with a sibling please speak to a member of staff. If your child is not in on that day then you are welcome to call in at the beginning of the afternoon for individual slots.

Helping your child settle into Sunny Days

At Sunny Days we will put your child's feelings first and know that it is important to give them time to settle in. Your little one has formed a strong attachment to you and now needs support and time to form another strong bond with us. You know that they'll be looked after and will have fun, but they need to learn from experience that they're safe and that the staff here will care for them. This is why a settling in period is so important.

The settling in period is a gradual introduction of your child to Sunny Days, the other children, activities, daily programme and our staff. It is also a gradual withdrawal of your presence, and we will make sure these two aspects are carefully and sensitively balanced.

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Your child's personality will certainly make a difference: some take to the change very easily, whilst others need more care and time. We feel we make this easier by giving your child a key person to help them settle in and feel safe and confident. This member of our staff will either be chosen by your child during your visits or allocated by us. It will be the key person's job to form a strong bond with you and your little one during the first visit, settling-in period and ongoing weeks and months of childcare.

We will make sure the key person will be around for the duration of that early period, and we will also introduce you to a second key person just in case the primary person is away.

We are all aware that your child is used to having you with them wherever they are and that's why the key person is crucial in helping them feel secure when you leave for the first time.

For the first time you are only going to be away a short while and then we invite you to then leave them for progressively longer sessions, until they are happy and settled.

Our aim is to build positive partnerships with you in order to learn the best way to care for your child.

Most importantly, please speak to your child's key person or Tracy if you have any worries, concerns or questions.

October half-term

Please note our last day of this half term will be Friday 21st October, the children have one week off and return Monday 31st October.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We will be raising money for Macmillan again this year by preparing Coffee and a muffin for you to grab on your way to work or out for the morning on Friday 7th October. Support a great cause, make a contribution and enjoy...



Happy Birthday!!!

Charles 3rd
Lara 5th
Olivia 16th
Emily 19th
Zak 29th



This term we would like to encourage more parental partnerships so to help us get to know each other and support new children and families to the nursery we would like to ask parents to come in and share your news with us and the children.

If you have recently moved house or have had a new baby and would like to come in to talk to the children about your experience please speak to your child's key person.

Welcoming the Autumn

Now that the weather is changing please ensure that your child has suitable clothing including wellington boots and a raincoat.

Newsletter by email

If you are new and you would like to receive the newsletter by email please ensure that we have your email address.

