

Newsletter January 2021

Happy New Year!



We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year....Let's get ready for 2021!
We would also love to thank you all for your continued support throughout the last year and everything that it has thrown at us!!

Dear Parents/Carers, we would like to **WELCOME** Daniel in the Creative Room, Millie and Jaxon in the Explorer Room and Bella, Reuben and Jack in the Discovery Room. We hope that they have lots of fun joining in all of the activities that we have planned and making lots of new friends.

As of the 4th January 2021 nursery for the full day children will be up to 6pm again. Please do arrive, allowing ten minutes for hand over as the nursery shuts at 6pm. Thank you for your support and understanding over the past months. It is very much appreciated.



The Theme this term is, Reflecting on the Festive holidays and the Winter.



In January we will be looking at all of the activities and fun that we have had over the Christmas holidays with our families. We will talk about the weather, what we wear in the cold, and hopefully see plenty of snow. We shall find out which animals like the snow and the cold also.

Please do bring your child in a warm top and thick coat, woolly hat and gloves as we shall be enjoying many walks out and about exploring the community.

Hand Washing...

Please remember the importance of hand washing and how it can break illness cycles. Most childhood illnesses are passed through coughs, sneezes and touching faces and the best way to break the cycle is ensuring the children wash their hands often and well with soapy warm water. Please encourage them to do this after the toilet, after coughing/sneezing and before/after eating.



We shall be giving all the children a bar of 'Simple' soap' along with the words, for you to encourage your child at home making lots of bubbles, having fun while continuing the good hygiene routines.



Our All About Me Box will be making a return to preschool. Rachel is going to be the first one to talk with the children about herself. We will then be sending the box home with a child each week from the pre-school, for them to put in their favourite six things they wish to talk about. These items could be a family photo, an old favourite toy or new one, or a saved item that is important to them.



Star Employees



Our Employee of the Month for November 2020 was Tracy our cook in the kitchen who helped to create new menus and worked well organising the kitchen. She also worked extra days when needed. Thankyou Tracy.

For December, our Employee of the month is Megan our new cook, who works 3 days a week. She has settled in straight away and is very creative in the kitchen. More yummy meals!

Staff Updates

Megan joined us in December, part time in the kitchen to work on the opposite days to Tracy. Ruth has also joined us to work in the Discovery Room alongside Demi.

Training Never Stops- All of the staff have recently completed a Level 2 course in, 'Understanding Behaviour that Challenges,' or a course on 'Autism.'



Nursery is now a registered Literacy Champion, which means that we have all worked on our Early Years Literacy skills. This will be beneficial for the children as well as with our development in the way we work.

Rachel and Megan are updating their Paediatric First Aid later this month and Ellie updated her 1st Aid last month. All Staff at Balderton Village Nursery have Paediatric First Aid which is a 12 hour course, currently 6 hours on line and 6 hours hands on practice with Newark Community First Aid.

