

Childsplay Newsletter

Spring 2018

We would like to give a warm welcome to all the children who have started at nursery recently. We hope you really enjoy your time at Childsplay

Cubs Room

The cub room is very busy at the moment getting to know their new children and parents. We have a new member of staff who started in January. Her name is Emma Mossman and she is joining, Kim (room leader), Julie, Laura, Sophie and Kass. The next theme in Cubs will be about the Weather. Because we are planning messy activities to link in with the theme, can you please be mindful not to put any clothes on your child you would mind getting dirty. We will of course be using aprons etc during these activities.

Can we remind parents to bring in suitable warm outdoor clothing and shoes to enable the children to access the outdoor play areas.

Story sacks - to promote the children's language and understanding, we will be creating story sacks for the children to use at home. Upon their return, parents can share with the staff their child's learning and experiences. More information will be included in the sacks.

Teddybear Room

The staff in our Teddybear room are led by Rowen (Room Leader). The other members of the team are, Gemma, Chloe and Karolina.

The children have been busy exploring colours and shapes through painting, gluing and sticking. We are updating the wall displays with their lovely art work.

They have great fun when they go outdoors splashing in the puddles with their wellies.

Our next celebration is Chinese New Year when we be celebrating the Year of the dog.

Snowdrops and Bluebells Rooms

Karen, the room leader, works closely with Sarah our Early Years Teacher, the other members of the team are, Leanne, Kirsty Melissa and Emma. Our current theme is Shapes and Colours where the children have enjoyed exploring and discovering. Please take a look at our blog to see what the children are doing.

To promote communication and language skills we would like the parents to provide family photo's for the children to bring in. These act as a great tool which enables them to talk about their own families and experiences.

The staff monitor the condition of your child's water cup and may ask you from time to time to replace them when necessary.

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Willow Room

Si Si who works in Willow room is one of our Early Years Teachers. Chelsea and Kellie also work in Willow with Si Si. Chelsea has nearly completed her foundation degree in Leadership and Practice which is a level 5 qualification.

The children have chosen Fantasy as their new theme. This is based on the children's interest so we will plan exciting activities in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage So far the children have enjoyed dressing up, taking on different roles in their play. We have updated our reading area to make it inviting for the children to share stories in.

Oak Room

In Oak Room the team are led by Leah. Laura and Jane are also part the Oak team.

Our topic at the moment is Time. We have been learning about the different ways to tell the time and talking about what happens at certain times of the day. Our next theme will start on the 5th February and will be 'Under the Sea.'

New entry system - Our new door system will be installed on the 27th January. A letter detailing all the information regarding has been given out to all parents separately. You will be given the code nearer the time, please keep this safe.

Proposed Yellow Lines

We have been informed that the proposed double yellow lines, directly in front of the nursery, will NOT go ahead. This decision was made due to the number of objections to the mandatory cycle lane outside the nursery and the impact on safety this may pose.

We want to thank everyone who supported the nursery and we are thankful common sense has prevailed.

Website & App



www.childsplayofliverpool.com Don't forget to look at our website where you can look at the room blogs and see what the children have been involved with.

Please download our free App from the app store it is also available in android. Just type in 'ChildsplayofL' you can keep up to date with all our news and events.

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Allergies

We have a number of children who have allergies. Can we please ask all parents for children not to come in eating any food and also not to bring any food which is prepared at home for e.g. birthday cake, unless it is shop bought and in its box, so we can check ingredients to ensure the children can have it. Thank you.



Tapestry

Tapestry is an on-line learning journal which enables the staff to document and track the children's learning goals. We introduced this early last year and the staff use tablets to record this information. They then print out any relevant observations and share them with the parents and ask for their feedback, this enables us to share information and further the child's learning.

Our next step is to introduce this to all the parents on line rather than in paper form in February. This will mean you will be able to log on and make an account with Tapestry, you will only be able to access your own child's journal and you will be able to comment on their learning which the practitioner can see and use to aid their development.

You will be asked for signed consent and be given guidance on how to access this nearer the time.

30 hour entitlement.

We are offering the 30 hours funding to those who are eligible. There is an eligibility checker which you can find at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk this is an online service which should give you all the information you need. All eligible children's parents will be given a letter explaining how you can access this funding.

Tax Free Childcare

We are registered for the Tax Free Childcare. This is an on line Government service to help working parents with the cost of their childcare. To check eligibility you can log onto www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Clothes

Please ensure your child always has a suitable change of clothes with them and if you have any nursery clothes at home would you please return them. Thank you.