



Welcome back to Blossom Room!

Hello everyone. We're very excited to see you all back in the Blossom Room next week. Hopefully you have all been able to watch our video showing you what Blossom Room will look like when you come in, and how dropping off and picking up will work.

In case you haven't been able to watch the video or just need a reminder, this is how it will all work:

Dropping off

- We are asking that only one grown-up comes to nursery to drop off their child or children.
- When you arrive at Grandpont, come through the car park to the Blossom Room garden gate. You will see our rainbow chalk lines on the ground leading up to the gate. If there are other families waiting outside the gate, please keep 2 m apart by standing at the next rainbow line while you wait.
- The gate will not be opened until 8:00 am, so please arrive at or after this time.
- Knock on the garden gate and one of us will come to let you into the garden.
- The grown-up can come through into the Blossom Room garden with their child and play with them for a few minutes to help them settle back in. One of us will take the child's belongings and packed lunch to go inside.
- When your child is ready to say goodbye, the grown-up will leave through the gate into the car park.
- If it is raining when you come to drop off, please come prepared with waterproofs and a big umbrella so you can still have a nice goodbye in the garden!

During the day

- We will be playing outside in the garden as much as possible: we will have water play, the sandpit, cars, balls, bikes, dinosaurs, our vegetable and herb garden to explore, and lots more to do!
- We also have lots of toys and resources inside and lots of space for everyone to spread out.

- We have our bathroom the same as it was before, with the changing mat, potties, toilets and sinks for hand-washing.
- There is a nose-blowing station with tissues, bin and hand sanitiser: we will be encouraging children to blow their own noses, put the tissue in the bin, and wash their hands afterwards.
- There is a water station with a small jug of water and some cups so that the children can get themselves a drink of water whenever they want to (the cups will be taken away and washed immediately after a child has finished their drink).
- We will have the same snacks and meals as before:
 - Fruit for morning snack, with milk or water (provided by nursery)
 - Lunch (everyone will bring a packed lunch)
 - Tea (sandwiches or crackers with choice of spreads, and fruit), with milk or water (provided by nursery)
- When the weather is warm and dry, we will eat snacks and lunch outside in the garden. If it is cold or rainy, there is lots of space for us all to eat inside.
- Our sleeping area is now in Blossom Room, with the same nests and sleeping mats as before. If you would like to bring a cuddly toy from home that can go in the washing machine, we can wash it and keep it here at nursery for your sleep time. Unfortunately we can't have toys which travel between nursery and home every day.

Picking up

- Again, please could only one grown-up come to Blossom Room to pick up your child.
- Come down to the Blossom Room garden gate where you arrived at the start of the session.
- Knock on the garden gate, and one of us will come to let you into the garden. If there is no answer straight away, please tap on the side window on your right, by our kitchen. Then we should be able to hear you and come and answer the gate!
- We will collect everything together that you need to take home and meet your grown-up out in the garden with all your belongings. Then your grown-up can have a chat with us about how the day has been and any information we need to pass over.
- Then we'll say goodbye and you and your grown-up will then leave through the garden gate into the car park.

Before you bring your child in to a session:

- Please **do not** bring your child in if they are unwell in any way. If a child comes in who is unwell, we will ask the grown-up to take them back home straight away.
- Please make sure your child is fully covered in all-day suncream.
- Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for spending a lot of time outdoors.
- Please bring the following:

- A full change of clothes appropriate for the weather for that day
- Outdoor wear appropriate for the weather that day (i.e. sunhat, waterproof coat and trousers, wellies)
- A healthy packed lunch if your child is here for the 8:00 am - 1:00 pm session.
 - No nuts or any products containing nuts, i.e. no peanut butter
 - A small drink, e.g. small carton of fruit juice, or small bottle of squash, is okay, but you don't need to bring a water bottle to drink from throughout the day, as we will have our water station, and the children will also be offered cups of water frequently throughout the day.

We hope that this document, as well as the video, will give you all the information you need about starting back in Blossom Room next week. If there is anything else you are not sure about or any other questions you would like to ask, please get in touch with one of the key people from your child's bubble:

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (Goldfish Bubble):
 - Sarah (sarah.mason@grandpontnurseryschool.co.uk)
 - Emma (emma.hine@grandpontnurseryschool.co.uk)
- Thursday and Friday (Snail Bubble):
 - Sam (samantha.nisbett@grandpontnurseryschool.co.uk)
 - Lulu (luisa.boheimer@grandpontnurseryschool.co.uk)

Have a lovely rest of the week and weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all again next week.

Best wishes from the Blossom Room team.