

# Autumn 2020 Newsletter



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## Welcome Back

The staff at Ashfield Nursery School would like to welcome all our families who have returned and those who have joined us this term. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic this September has been very different for us and we have had to follow new guidelines and procedures. Thank you for following these guidelines and for your support and patience whilst settling the children into the nursery routine. We hope that you and your children enjoy your time with us and get involved in nursery life.

**IMPORTANT**—If you are eligible for 30 hours free childcare, please apply to [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) once you have the eligibility code please inform nursery and we can claim extra funding to help all nursery children!

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### 2 YEAR OLD UNIT

Do you have a 2 Year Old—Did you know that your two year old could be eligible for up to 15 hours free childcare per week (for 38 weeks of the year).

If you are in receipt of certain benefits or earn less than £16,190 per year you may be able to take up a place for your two year old the term after their second birthday. If you would like to check eligibility or need further



We recommend that all adults wear a face covering when they drop off and collect their children each day. Kindly observe the 1m distance to help keep everyone safe. Thank you.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Diwali activities week commencing 9th November 2020

Children in Need Friday 13th November 2020

Parents Consultations November 2020

### HOLIDAY DATES

October Half Term  
26.10.20 to 30.10.20

Christmas Holiday  
21.12.20 to 01.01.21

February Half Term  
15.02.21 to 19.02.21

Easter Holidays  
02.04.21 to 16.04.21

May day ~ Monday 03.05.21

May Half Term  
31.05.21 to 04.06.21

Summer Holidays begin 26.07.21

This term we are learning about:

- Autumn and colours within the world around us.
- All about me.

Our favourite books this term:

Owl Babies

It was a cold dark night

Peace at Last

Brown Bear, Brown Bear

### PARENTS CONSULTATIONS November 2020

Staff will be arranging a telephone appointment with parents to discuss how your child has settled into nursery and their targets for next term.



Keep checking our Facebook page to see what the children have been doing in nursery.

### REMINDER

You must apply for a Reception Class place for September 2021, before midday on 15th January 2021, if your child was born between 01/09/2016 and 31/08/2017.

Visit: [www.newcastle.gov.uk](http://www.newcastle.gov.uk)

See Jacqui in the office if you need further information.

### Packed Lunches

We are a healthy school and would ask if parents could limit sweet type snacks, chocolate, biscuits and crisps. As an alternative, why not try dried fruit (raisins and apricots) or yogurts, scones or cheese and crackers. If you have any questions about packed lunches please ask a member of staff.

### PHYSICAL ACTIVITY FOR EARLY YEARS

Throughout their day in nursery the children will have the opportunity to be involved in a range of physical activities both inside and outside. Please send your child to nursery with appropriate footwear so they are able to join in these activities safely and easily.

Active children are healthy, happy, school ready children and sleep better.

**ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT— Good Attendance Habits Begin Early  
MISSING SCHOOL IS MISSING OUT— EVERY DAY COUNTS!!**