

Cherry Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers, we hope this newsletter finds you well.
Firstly, we would like to introduce you to the Nursery team.



Lydia
QTS Nursery
Teacher



Rachel
Nursery Manager



Jo
Family & Admin
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Laura
Deputy Manager



Colleen
Early years practitioner



Mel
Early years practitioner



Kelly-Anne
Early years practitioner



Laura
Early years practitioner

Term 1 Topic

A very warm hello and welcome back to all our families. It is so lovely to have you all back. We hope you have enjoyed your summer holidays and are coming back feeling rested. We cannot wait to get exploring and learning with your children, this term.

Our topic this term is 'All about me-marvellous me' where we will be looking at our feelings and emotions, exploring our environment and how to play safely, we will be looking at our bodies and how they work-what we use our eyes and ears for and tasting different flavours. We will be looking at books, such as 'The colour monster', 'Nose toes and tummy', 'Feel your happy' and many more. If you have any questions about the learning, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us, anytime.

You will be finding out your child's key worker, very soon. Our new children will be making their family books this term however if any of our returning children would like to share any new family pictures, we always love to see them via ClassDojo!

ClassDojo

All Parents/Carers should now have access to ClassDojo. Please keep checking this regularly, as we use it to share information with you. You can share your own photos and videos of your child, so that we can talk to your child about holidays, events etc. that happen outside of Nursery. If you haven't yet received an invite to join ClassDojo please speak to Rachel.

Voluntary consumables contribution

All families will receive an invoice for a voluntary consumables contribution. This is invoiced to ALL funded and non-funded children and covers snacks, sun cream, children's Christmas party, leavers party, etc. which is not covered by Government funding. This will be invoiced at the beginning of each whole term (September, January, April).



Family Books

We will be making each child a 'Family Book' that they can keep at the Nursery and look at any time. If you haven't sent us photos yet, please share a minimum of 3 photos, these can be of anyone that is important in your child's life i.e. parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles and pets etc. Please send photos via email of clasdojo and list who's in each photo.

30 Hour Funding Codes

We would like to remind all Parents who receive 30 hours funding that they are responsible for re-validating their eligibility code every 3 months, by the dates given to you by HMRC. If you think that you may be entitled to 30 hours government funding please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Collecting Children

Please could you inform us if anyone else is collecting your child, even if they are on your contact form or they know the password. It really saves us time, as we will always check if you haven't informed us. Just a quick phonecall makes all the difference, our number is 01795 842300 ext 3. Thank you.

Nursery Essentials

- If your child has had a case of sickness and diarrhoea, please keep them off for 48 hours.
- Bring a spare set of clothes (clearly labelled) for your child (especially underwear).
- If your child still requires a nappy change, please can you ensure that you provide nappies and wipes.
- **Please can we also ask that if your child has grapes or cocktail sausages, that these are cut lengthways.** We are unable to serve these if they are not cut correctly. Also please ensure all lunchboxes are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Fees are to be paid weekly, monthly, or a term **IN ADVANCE**. We accept payment by bank transfer, tax free child accounts and card payments in the school office. Our sort code: **60-60-08**, Account No: **83294902** Ref: **Child's full name**

Important dates

Monday 1st September – INSET day
Tuesday 2nd September – INSET day
Wednesday 3rd September – Nursery open
Friday 3rd October – Individual & sibling photos
Friday 17th October – Term 1 ends
Monday 20th October-Friday 24th November – Half term
Monday 27th October – Term 2 starts

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