



City Newsletter

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Planning

We would like to encourage all parents to ask your child's key person to show you their learning journey document so that you can add comments about things from home.

The learning journeys are an important record of your child's development and it would help both us and the children if you were able to put comments in the books.

Our focus this term will continue to be on personal and social development, however as highlighted in a recent Ofsted inspection, the "children are settled and secure in the nursery and their individual needs are supported and valued" we are very pleased with this, as it is one of the key areas that the LEA is concerned about in York, not only within Early Years but in early Primary School.

Outdoor Play

The children have the choice to go outside whatever the weather; however we have to take some precautions. For this reason can we ask that you send a named hat, gloves and wellies into nursery for your child?

The children will be planting their vegetables into planters very soon; this allows them to grow a little before the children transplant them into the vegetable patch.

Can you please also ensure that your child has a full spare change of clothes as your child may get dirty playing in the digging area, and may get wet playing in the water.

Dates For Your Diary

Easter Closure - Friday 6th April to Monday 9th (inclusive)

May Day Closure – Monday 7th May

Spring Bank Closure – Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th June

Summer Bank Holiday – Monday 27th August

Signing children in/out

The room registers are a legal document and it is an Ofsted requirement that **parents** sign their children in and out of nursery with the time of arrival/ departure. Please bear this in mind when bringing and collecting your children from nursery.

KOOSH

For those parents with siblings that attend primary school, we offer a full fun packed holiday club during the school breaks, these sessions are run at Haxby Road Children's centre. The activities this half term revolve around movement and will include activities such as baking, sports and trips out to a playbarn. If you require any more information, please speak to Karen or Margaret.

Voucher Payments

If you pay by childcare vouchers, please ensure they are sent through by 28th of the month to ensure payment reaches our account by the 1st. As you are aware all fees are to be paid in advance and reach our account by 1st.

Directors' Corner February 2012

Our training day in January was excellent with 3 members of the Leeds Early Years team delivering training on Risk Assessments and the proposed changes to the EYFS. I delivered the same training to our York staff and all felt it was really informative and a good chance to network with staff from other sites. After discussions with staff and feedback from parents we have decided to hold our 2013 training on the last nursery day of 2012 – Christmas Eve, as it falls on a Monday this year. This will mean that Kaleidoscope will close for the Christmas break for children on Friday December 21st. On a different note, Steve and I are proud to announce that plans for our new nursery and training centre in Drighlington, Leeds are well underway. We are in the process of applying to become a Cache registered centre so we can offer level 2 and 3 qualifications and apprenticeships in house. Very exciting times and we will keep you informed of our progress – Jane.