


Fordbridge Childcare Plus™ Newsletter



September 2024

Diary Dates



Thursday October 24th 2024- Children break up for Half Term
Friday October 25th 2024- School Closed- INSET DAY
Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November 2024- Half Term
Monday 4th November 2024- All children return

Our Topic

Over the next few weeks we will be concentrating on the new season Autumn.
We will be looking out for signs of Autumn i.e. getting colder, getting darker earlier, leaves changing colour and leaves falling off the trees.
Could we please ask you to take your child on an Autumn walk and look for signs of Autumn, collect any Autumn Treasures you may find i.e. leaves, acorns, conkers, pine cones, twigs etc, and bring them into setting for us to discuss with your child.

'WOW' Moments

Parents/Carers,

We would like to ask you to share your 'WOW' moments from home. We will be sending out slips for you to complete, please return them once you have filled in a 'WOW' moment. Videos or pictures, can also be uploaded onto EY Log 'WOW' moments, can be anything your child has done or said, which is very special to you, and made you think WOW!!
We would love to share these moments with the children in setting and add them to our displays.
Thank you.

Reminder of Session Times

Please be reminded our Morning session is 8.30am-11.30am, our Afternoon session is 12.30pm-3.30pm.

Please ensure you collect your child on time at the end of their session.

Please note late collections are chargeable, and staff will have to inform you on the door, if you will be charged for a late collection.

We thank you for your support and co-operation with this matter.

What a great start to the term

We are really proud of all of our children, whether they are new to the setting or have returned after the Summer Holidays. The children have settled into nursery life well, and have been forming some lovely new friendships with others. The children are learning our new routines, and our school values.
Look out for all of the exciting things they have been getting up to on EY Log. Equally, you can also upload pictures and videos of wow moments (special moments), your child does at home. These make great talking points with the children in class.

All About Me

The children are learning 'All About Me'

This week, we are talking with the children about themselves and their families.
Please, can we ask you to send in family photos from home. These can also include family pets in your home.

You can either email your pictures to childcareplus@fordbridge.solihull.sch.uk, upload them onto EY Log or print them at home and send them in. If you choose to print at home and send them in, please ensure they are in a plastic wallet, so they stay safe (you can collect a wallet from the FCP office).

Please ensure you write the names with the pictures, so we know who is who when your child speaks about their family/pets.
These pictures make great talking points and really help the children settle into school life.

Potty Training

If your child is potty training, please can we ask you to ensure you send them into setting with plenty of spare clothes, including underwear and socks, and spare shoes or wellies.

Thank you!!



Weather Appropriate Clothes

The weather is getting much wetter and colder now. Please ensure children are arriving, wearing, weather appropriate clothes, Wellington boots and rain coats on rainy days. Hats, gloves and scarves on cold days.

Please be aware, if children are not dressed appropriately for the weather, we may have to limit their access to outdoors, to keep them protected. The weather is now becoming very cold.

We thank you for your ongoing support with this matter.



Important Notice

Please can we ask all Parents/Carers,

If you wish to speak with a member of staff from your child's room, that you call the setting to arrange an appointment. If you wish to speak with someone at drop off or collection, please arrive to your child's door as normal, alert the staff member you wish to speak with them and step to the side until all children are either in the setting (at the beginning of their session) or released safely to their parents/carers (at the end of the session).
The staff member will then come out to speak with you. Keeping the setting door open for prolonged periods of time, poses a Health and Safety/Safeguarding Risk as children can try to run out of the setting doors.

We thank you for your support and co-operation with this matter.

Health and Safety- REMINDER

Please can we ask you not to send your child into the setting if they have been given Calpol or any other pain/temperature relieving medication.

Medication will only mask children's symptoms and once the medication wears off, we can see considerable changes in children's moods and behaviour.
Whilst we appreciate it is important for children to attend Nursery, keeping the setting a positive experience for the children is also extremely important. If children are sent in unwell this can become a negative experience and set them back.

Please note, children are fine to attend setting, whilst they are taking any prescribed medication from the GP, such as antibiotics unless the GP has advised your child remain at home.

Please, can we also remind all parents/carers, in FCP, if your child has diarrhoea or sickness, children must remain off for 48-hours, from the last episode, for example, if your child stops being sick on a Tuesday afternoon, they are unable to return to setting until the Friday afternoon.

We thank you for your support and co-operation with this matter.