Fordbridge Childcare Plus

Newsletter

Week Beginning: 13th March 2023

Diary Dates



Thursday 16th March- St Patricks Day
Monday 13th March- Common Wealth Day- Please see separate Parent Mail
Friday 17th March- Red Nose Day
29th and 30th March- Parent/Carer Consultations
Friday 31st March- Break up for End of Term
Monday 17th April- Return to school

Mother's Day

The children will be taking part in lots of Mother's Day activities next week.
Look out for pictures on EY Log and the children will be bringing some of their work home.

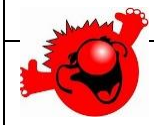
Thursday 16th March- PTA Mother's Day Shop open for children to purchase a gift. 2 items for £5.00 or 3 items for £7.00. Please give the money in a labelled envelope to your child's teacher.

St Patricks Day Celebration

On Thursday 16th March, we will be celebrating St Patricks Day. The children are encouraged and welcome to wear an item green of clothing on this day.



Red Nose Day



On Friday 17th March, we will be taking part in Red Nose Day. Children are encouraged and welcome to wear an item of red clothing.
A voluntary contribution of £1.00, can be sent in on this day.



Home Learning

Our theme is 'Spring' we have been discussing Wonderful Weather and will be learning all about the signs of a season changing and exploring what this looks like.

Although we've had snow today and spring was supposed to have sprung. Once the snow has gone away, could we please ask you to go on a walk to spot any signs of spring. E.g. Daffodils, buds starting to grow on the trees.
We would like to ask you, with your child, to draw, paint or make things that you see on the Spring walks and bring them into nursery.
We look forward to seeing your work, and hope you have had fun playing in the snow today.

Parent/Carer Workshops



Please see below a list of FREE parent/carer online workshops available to our families.

Early years entitlements

https://early-years-entitlements-20-03-23-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Toilet training

https://toilet-training-13-03-23-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Encouraging positive behaviour

https://positive-behaviour-09-03-23-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Educational support for young children with additional needs

https://early-years-education-01-03-23-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Speech and language 0 to 5

https://speech-language-280323-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Helping your young child sleep

https://sleep-15-03-23-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Money Matters for parents of young children

https://money-matters-14-03-23-dfe.eventbrite.co.uk/

Polite Reminder

Please can we remind all parents/carers, not to stand at the entrance to the doors on drop off and collection times. This poses a health and safety/safeguarding risk, as children can run through practitioners' legs. All doors need to be open for as minimal amount of time as possible.
If you wish to speak with your child's room, please indicate to them you wish to speak with them, and step to the side until all children are either safely dropped off or collected.
If you stand in the doorway, a member of staff may ask you to step aside, please don't think we are being rude, but the children's safety is of our upmost importance.
We thank you for your co-operation with this.

Wow Moments

Please continue to share your WOW moments from home onto EY Log or write them down on the slips provided. If you need any more slips, please ask your child's classroom for some more.
If you are having any problems with uploading observations onto EY Log please speak with Mrs Berry in the office.
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.

Old Clothing to be worn for Nursery

Please can we ask Parents/Carers to ensure children are dressed in old play clothes for attending Nursery, not nice new/expensive outfits. The children are very young and really do enjoy messy play. As much as staff try their very best, it is very difficult to ensure clothes do not get stained.
Can we please, also ask for children to wear appropriate shoes, which are easy for the staff and children to take off and put on?
We try to support the children in learning to be independent, shoes which are a difficult to get on and off cause children to struggle and become frustrated.

Appropriate Clothing

Please ensure your child comes to the setting dressed in weather appropriate clothing, with hats, gloves, scarfs, wellingtons/waterproof shoes and warm coats on cold/wet days. The weather is currently very cold and wet.
Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name in them.
If children arrive to the setting who are not dressed appropriately for the weather, we may need to keep them inside to ensure their safety.



We thank you for your continued support.



Health and Safety

Please can we ask you not to send your child into the setting if they have been given Calpol or any other paracetamol 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.

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

PTA- We are now looking for new members. To get involved contact us using the below information. You can give as much or as little time as you want to.

Email: fordbridgeparentsgroup@gmail.com **– Twitter:** @fordbridgepare1 **– Facebook:** @FPGPT

