

Fordbridge Childcare Plus

Newsletter

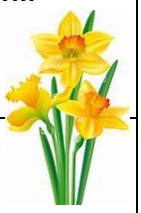


Week Beginning: 27th March 2023

Diary Dates



29th and 30th March- Parent/Carer Consultations
Friday 31st March- Parent/Carer Easter Workshop
Friday 31st March- Break up for End of Term
Monday 17th April- Return to school



Parent/Carer Consultations

Next week, on Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March, we will be holding our Parent/Carer Consultations.
You should have received your appointment slip from your child's room.
If you have not received your slip, please ask your child's room.
If you are unable to attend your appointment date/time, please speak with your child's Keyworker and arrange another date and time with them.
Please remember, slots are for 10 minutes at a time. If you feel you need more time or have more questions, you can either write your questions down after your consultation, or request another meeting with your child's keyworker.

Parent/Carer Easter/Spring Workshop

On Friday 31st March, we will be holding our Parent/Carer Easter/Spring Workshop.
We would like to invite our Parents/Carers to come into setting and take part in fun Easter/Spring activities and create Easter/Spring crafts with your child.

For Morning children, the session will be 10.00-11.00am.

For Afternoon children, the session will be from 2.00-3.00pm.

Please note children can attend the setting at their normal start time and at the end of the workshop, you are able to take your child home, to save you having to wait outside until the end of their normal session.

Please can we ask for a maximum of 2 guests per child (this includes siblings. If you are bringing a sibling, we can only have one adult)- due to capacity and Health and Safety. We do not have room for multiple adults and siblings per child. Unfortunately, we will not have room for pushchairs/prams in the classrooms.



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.
Spring has finally sprung. 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 or upload photos onto EY Log.



Easter Activity at home

We would like to ask you to do some Easter crafts at home with your child.
Some ideas below…

- Draw/paint a bunny.
- Design an Easter Egg.
- Create an Easter picture.

Use different craft items, paint, lollipop sticks, crayons, paper etc, anything you can find at home that can be used to create art/ craft work.
You can either send us pictures of your crafts on EY Log or send your work into setting for us to display.

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

