

Fordbridge Childcare Plus

Newsletter



Week Beginning: 13th February 2023

Diary Dates



Friday 17th February 2023- Break up for Half Term
Monday 27th February 2023- Inset Day
Tuesday 28th February 2023- All children return
Tuesday 28th February 2023- Pancake Making
Thursday 2nd March 2023- World Book Day

World Book Day

After Half Term, on Thursday 2nd March we will be taking part in World Book Day - children are welcome to dress up as a favourite character or author of their choice.

We will be celebrating the day together as a school in different ways, celebrating and recognising our love of all things reading! Please note there is no requirement for a donation.

Peppa Pigs Birthday Party

On Friday 17th February, we will be having 'Party Day' for Peppa Pig's Birthday. Children can come to Nursery wearing their party clothes.

We would like to ask for contributions of party food for this day, please note this is completely voluntary and there is no expectation for your child to bring food.

Food will need to be shop brought and in the original packing, to enable us to ensure we are meeting all allergy and dietary requirements, within the setting.

Your child will come home with a slip informing you of what food item to bring on Friday, again, this is not an expectation, so please do not go to any great expense to provide food items.

We thank you for your ongoing support.



What we are Learning

Last week, we have been celebrating 'Peppa Pigs Birthday' concentrating on the number 4. We have been writing invitations, shopping lists, painting birthday cakes and making Peppa Pigs house out of shapes. We have been making playdough cakes, and cutting them into portion sizes (triangles) and using them to design the children's own birthday cake.
This week, we have introduced 'The Three Little Pigs'. We are going to be discussing the different properties of materials used and the strength of each one.

Home Learning

Theme-The Three Little Pigs.
For home learning this week, please can we ask you to make a house with your child using natural materials or lego, just like in 'The Three Little Pigs', and discuss the shapes used, i.e. square, triangle etc.
If you use Lego to build a house, please take an image and upload it onto EY Log. If you use natural materials, i.e. sticks, straw, card, your child can bring their 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

