



The Duckling Nursery Ltd
Writtle Infant School
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Newsletter 2020/F

Autumn term

We began this autumn term with much excitement and a little apprehension due to the very strange times we have all been experiencing in the past months. Our Ducklings who have returned to us have all settled back into nursery life with great enthusiasm, eagerness and zeal. Our new little Ducklings were a little more cautious and reserved in their first few weeks and we had some tears and some sad faces. Our aim is to get everyone settled by half term and it is always such a pleasure to see them all coming happily into nursery and really beginning to enjoy fun new experiences in their new surroundings. We have three new little Ducklings joining us and we wish Owen, Ruby and Florence many happy times with us.

The Duckling staff and myself would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your continued support of the changes made during this term and we will continue to do our very best to keep the children, their families and staff safe and well during the coming months but it goes without saying that we all must remain vigilant in the current situation.

Home/nursery books

These little yellow books are for sharing news between home and nursery. Your child's key person will write in them once a week and they would love to hear about some of the fun things the children are doing at home. This leads to some lovely chats and discussions between staff and children helping them to develop strong bonds together.

Sessions

I still have Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and Friday morning sessions available. Please let me know if you are interested in more sessions or adding an afternoon onto a morning extending this to a full day.

Nursery Photographs

Friday 6th November has now been confirmed. The children attending a Friday morning will be photographed first from 12.45 onwards making collection time a little later at 1pm. All other children will be given an appointment time following on from this. If you haven't yet returned your slip please could you do so as soon as possible?

Nursery Coats

As the weather begins to get colder the children will need coats when playing outside. In the past they have always worn nursery coats allowing them to get messy and muddy and keep their own coats clean. These have all been washed since last winter and are ready for use. Due to these unprecedented times we understand you may prefer your child to wear it's own coat. Please let me know if this is the case.

Uniform

The new uniform has arrived and we have all items and all sizes now in stock. Let us know if you require anything.

Friends of Ducklings

Sadly we have now cancelled the Duckling Christmas Fayre, however we are hoping to have a few fun activities during the weeks leading up to Christmas. Also it will not be possible to perform the Children's Christmas show this year but we do have some ideas for sharing some kind of entertainment with you. Further information regarding both these events will follow after half term, but if anyone has any ideas or has access to video equipment we would love to hear from you.

Reminders

Please can I remind you again that all water bottles, lunch boxes, clothing (both indoor and outdoor items) and shoes should be clearly named?

Also contact numbers for Thursdays as I am not in nursery are: Mrs Park (8am - 3pm) 07967 054184, or Mrs Moore (7.30am - 5.30pm) 07595 286449

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