



The Duckling Nursery Ltd
Writtle Infant School
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Newsletter 2021/A

Happy New Year

Wishing a happy new year to all our families from us all at Ducklings and we thank you for your very kind and generous gifts received at the end of last term. We hope you have all had a good Christmas break and are ready to tackle another somewhat strange few weeks ahead. I think we were all hoping that the schools situation would stay the same or even begin to get better, however as I'm sure you are all aware this is not the case. We will continue to remain open for all Duckling children even though both Writtle Infant and Junior schools have had to make many changes and will be operating very differently. We will all be following the government guidelines and I will keep you updated with any further information as soon as I receive it. We will continue with a one-way system in and out of nursery, 2 metre social distancing, only one family in the cloakroom at a time and masks must be worn at all times on the school premises. The nursery will be open from 7.30 for breakfast and the last collection time will be 4.30 rather than the later time of 5.30. Hot lunches will still be offered as will snack. These will all be monitored during the first week and I will let you know of any changes. Keeping our children, families and staff safe and well is paramount at this time and I thank you all for your continued support and care. Let's hope and keep our fingers crossed that we will return to a more normal life very soon.

Welcome

We welcome four new little Ducklings into nursery this term and we wish Finlay, Callie and Emmi and Ralph many happy times with us. I know our existing Ducklings will help them to learn our routine, join their friendships and together we will all take great care of them.

Spring term topic

*The United Kingdom is the place to explore
Where we can discover more and more
It's time for us to take a look
And turn the pages of a book.*

*Where shall we travel and will it be far
We could go on an aeroplane a train or a car
Come and join us everyone
And together we will have such fun.*

We have a very exciting term ahead with lots to explore.

The weekly sub topics will be posted on the nursery planning window for you to see.
If you have any resources that you are able to share with us we would be very grateful.

Reminders

Please can I remind you all to name your children's clothes including coats, hats, scarves, gloves and shoes? Water bottles and lunch boxes/bags also need to be named.

Friends of Ducklings

I was hoping we could resume our meetings during this term and begin to plan and organise some fun and exciting fund raising events. Sadly, this is not to be however we are planning a grand Spring/Easter raffle. If you can donate any prizes, offer a skill, or are able to resource vouchers of any kind please let me know? Further details will follow.

Let's get this spring term started and enjoy the fun times and learning ahead.

Mrs Homer