



The Duckling Nursery Ltd
Writtle Infant School
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Newsletter 2021/G

Duckling nursery update

I hope everyone has enjoyed a warm and sunny half term and let's hope this lovely weather continues. Although the majority of the staff have now had their first vaccination and I have had the double dose 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 to be worn at all times on the school premises. Hopefully we will be able to relax these rules a little more after June 21st and before the end of term. I think we should all be very proud of ourselves and the adjustments we have had to make during this time in order to keep our children, families and staff safe and well. Once again I thank you all for your continued support and care.

September sessions

There are still a few sessions available on a Friday morning and the four afternoons. Please let me know if you would be interested in any of these. I am always very happy to have a chat or to offer advice if required.

Nursery changes

We are making a few exciting changes in the nursery for September. Firstly, we have decided not to reintroduce hot lunches therefore all children will require a packed lunch for both morning and full day sessions. Secondly, the afternoon session will now begin at 1pm rather than 1.20 and the 4.35 collection time will be a little earlier at 4.30. Thirdly, we are introducing the Tapestry online learning journal along with all the other options it has to offer. Lastly, our four key groups are to become three. Further details regarding the introduction of tapestry and group changes will be in the next newsletter.

Summer events

We will definitely be holding sports morning, parent/key person consultations and leaver's lunch unless further restrictions are put in place before these events. We will keep you updated of any changes.

Sports morning

Sports morning will begin at 10am on Friday 2nd July. Children who attend a Friday session will come at their usual time of 8.45. We will open the gate for all other children and parents from 9.50. Please can you leave your children on the playground with their teachers and make your way onto the school field. We will bring them onto the field as near to 10am as possible. We would love for everyone to stay and enjoy a picnic lunch on the field. Can the children please wear tops in their group colours? Sports morning is for all children and we hope to see you all there.

Rainbows - green, Suns - red, Moons - orange and Stars - blue

We will be holding a raffle and the money raised will be going to Ellis and his family.

If you are able to donate a raffle prize please let me know.

Key person/parents consultations afternoon

The consultations will begin at 1pm on Friday 9th July. Appointments will be every 10 minutes and the appointment sheets to book these will be available from Monday 21st June. If you require any further information please don't hesitate in coming to see me.

Leaver's lunch

Leaver's lunch will be on Friday 16th July (the last day of term). All children apart from the children leaving us will finish nursery at midday and there will not be any lunch. Leavers will stay and help the teachers set up lunch. We will open the gate for you at 12.25 when lunch will begin. This is always a lovely time although sometimes a little emotional and we hope you will all be able to join us.

Holiday dates

Can you please let me know if you will be on holiday during this half term?

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