



Dear Parents and carers

4 May 2021

We have been so busy in nursery over the last couple of weeks, it's really is great having all the children back in and having so much fun. The staff have been putting out some great learning provocations (activities) for the children to explore and they have loved it. From coloured shaving foam, flour, paint and water to potting plants, giant bubble play and a birthday party for Becky in preschool. We have lots planned over the Summer term to get the children excited and discovering- learning is definitely fun here at Halesfield.



Holidays

If you are lucky enough to be going on holiday this year, then please let us know the dates your child will not be in nursery as soon as possible. Knowing dates in advance really helps us with managing staff annual leave, booking in other children on free days. It also helps us to ensure you are billed the correct amount and receive your holiday discount too. May half term, which is week commencing 31st May, is fast approaching. If your child is term time only then they are not due in that week and the nursery is closed to all for the Bank Holiday Monday too. Any holiday dates can be emailed to halesfield@telfordnurseries.org or handed to your child's key worker at nursery.



Invoices



Please can I just remind everyone to pay their childcare invoices off as soon as possible please? We are finding that some accounts are not being settled weekly and balances are being carried forward to the following week. As a small charity run nursery this does have an impact on our cash flow- so we do need money to be paid up front and promptly where possible please. Also, if you pay for dinners then please ensure money for those is paid weekly. Although not a huge amount, now we outsource the dinners from the café we are having to subsidise a few meals- which we really shouldn't have to do. If you have any concerns or worries about your balance, then please email me at nursery to discuss.

Plastic Free

Nursery has started working towards our plastic free status as per the accreditation derived from the organisation "Surfers against Sewage". Becky is our coordinator and is getting an action club together consisting of both staff and children. Together they will work out which single use plastics we can omit from our nursery and how we can make changes to continue to be as Eco efficient as we can be. We will keep you updated on their progress- well done Becky and the Action club. More information about the Surfers against Sewage and their plight to reduce ocean pollution can be found at <https://www.sas.org.uk/>



Sunflower update



We hope everyone has now planted their sunflower seeds and is starting to see some growth. Lucy and her mum provided us with an update on theirs last week. Thank you for sharing they are definitely starting to shoot up and we can't wait to see how big they become over the next few months.



Diary Dates and information

- Link to this week's menu:
http://telfordnurseries.org/files/Summer_Term_2021_Week_3_Menu.pdf
- Link to our Administering Medicine policy
<http://www.telfordnurseries.org/files/policies/3.2%20Administering%20medication.pdf>

Yours sincerely

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