

Brentwood Day Nursery

Autumn Newsletter 2021



Nursery life is starting to feel like it used to! Its lovely to have the usual activities here at the nursery and also to be able to have visitors and external companies in the setting. We are still being extra cautious and will continue with our strict cleaning regime and pandemic procedures.

We were sad to see the **children leave over the summer**, some had been with us since they were 2 years old and the families have been with us for even longer. We would love to **welcome all our new children** and hope that they are settling in well. We will do all we can to support them and help them settle in these early days.

Would you like to volunteer to set up a parents **WhatsApp group**? It's a great way to keep connected with other parents, sharing information and getting to know each other, please let Rachel know if you are able to organise this

If you feel that **you need extra support**, please do let us know, we will do all we can to support you. The effects of lockdown may have an impact on your mental health and it is important that you seek help if you feel you are struggling. Emergency contact numbers for Rachel and Chrissie can be found on the weekly email update that we send on a Friday, please do not hesitate to contact us out of hours in an emergency.



With restrictions being lifted, we are hopeful that we can resume all the normal celebrations over this term including Christmas.

Upcoming topic and events

Our topic for this term is 'All about me'. Please share any memorable moments from home, celebrations, photo's, we would love to see them. The events board with the latest information is in the entrance foyer, please take time to look at it. We will also send a copy of the events board via email or Facebook.

We have displayed **information on the main charities and events** in the foyer, that we will be supporting throughout the year. We have started to send electronic files of brochures, leaflets etc, as we realise that it is difficult for you to read these in the entrance area at the nursery. Our **extra curricular activities** are enjoyed by the children; **Superstar Sports, French, and dance**. Superstar Sports will be focusing on 'football' this half term. This provides great opportunities for children to extend their development and experiences. Next half term they will be doing 'rugby'.

EYLog is our online journal, where you can get daily notifications. We also use our **Facebook** page to share information. Please do remember to share your information, updates, photos from home, by sharing this on the EYLog system or on the Facebook page. It's helps us to see their development both at the nursery and at home, and enables us to create a great personalised target for them with your help.

We have a selection of **nursery uniform** you may wish to purchase which includes t-shirts, and sweatshirts. T-shirts are £13 and sweatshirts are £17, please see Rachel for more details.



Staff news

*As you know **Hayley** will be leaving us at the end of September, we will be sad to see her go and wish her the best of luck for the future

***Donna** will be joining the team on a permanent part time basis. She has been helping us for the last few months on a temporary basis so we are delighted that she is becoming a permanent member of staff

***Tia and Laura** have joined our team, and will be studying for their childcare qualifications whilst on the apprenticeship scheme

***Jess** has been promoted to Senior Supervisor, she has worked very hard and completed her level 3 qualification. She is a very popular staff member amongst both children and staff

***Employee of the month** for August was awarded to Jess for her enthusiasm and progression at the nursery

*We will be holding a **First Aid qualification** in October for 7 staff members. This is a 2 day course, which covers all aspects of first aid on children and infants.

