



Oxclose Nursery Newsletter

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Children's Mental Health Week

This week the country has been celebrating Children's Mental Health Week. We have put some resources to support families on our Facebook page. More information can be found on:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

It is also important for parents and carers to be mindful of their own mental health during these difficult times. The weather has unfortunately not made life easy! However, it is amazing how even a walk in the rain can be enjoyable if wearing waterproofs and wellies. There are loads of support and advice on:

<http://www.durham.gov.uk/familiesmentalhealth>

Remote Learning.

Please do not forget to check out our website and facebook for activities and lesson ideas. We also hope that you have been enjoying our Zoom sessions. It is lovely to see our families and all the hard work that you are doing at home!

Face Coverings.

Can we please ask all adults visiting nursery or bringing/collecting children to please wear a face covering and observe a 2m distance from other adults. This is to minimise the risk of infection of others. We also ask that anyone who is visiting the office, also wears a face covering. Thank you for your support.

Coronavirus Testing

If your child requires a coronavirus test, please could you email the result to the office, before returning to nursery.

We remind parents to maintain a 2m distance at all times. We also kindly ask that parents refrain from standing in social groups.

Parents are reminded that children **must not come** to nursery if their child *or anyone* in the household has symptoms of coronavirus.

If anyone in the setting has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19): a high temperature, new and persistent cough or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), however mild, they should self-isolate for at least 10 days from when their symptoms started and engage with NHS Track and Trace.

Please inform nursery immediately of any Covid test results. If your child receives a positive test result over the weekend, when nursery is closed, the best way to contact us would be via email:

oxclosenursery@durhamlearning.net

If we need to contact all parents quickly, this will be done via a text message through our parentpay text message service.

Therefore, if you have not already signed up to this, please contact the office if you need further login details or support.

If someone tests negative, and they feel well and **no longer have symptoms** similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better.

Dates for the Diary

We are pleased to publish currently confirmed dates for the rest of the academic year and these can be seen in the table below. Naturally, we have planned other events such as trips and we will add these when we have final details.

Nursery closes for Spring Half Term	Friday 12 th February 2021
Nursery reopens	Monday 22 nd February 2021
Nursery closes for Easter Holidays	Friday 26 th March 2021
Nursery reopens	Monday 12 th April 2021
Nursery closed for May Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2021
Nursery closes for Summer Half Term	Friday 28 th May 2021
Nursery reopens	Monday 7 th June 2021

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