



Oxclose Nursery Newsletter

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Welcome to all our new children

We would like to welcome all our new children who have now settled happily into nursery. Staff have commented that they have settled very quickly and it feels like they have been with us forever! Our existing children have been very kind and considerate of the new children. We are very proud at how mature and sensible they have become. We are lucky to have such nice children attend our nursery.

Seesaw

We are unfortunately having a delay with our plans to use Seesaw. We are still waiting for a delivery of ipads so that staff can upload pictures and use the app with the children. I am very sorry for this. We were hoping to begin sharing pictures with you before the Easter holidays. Fingers crossed our delivery comes next week!

Remote Learning Survey

Thank you to all our parents who responded to the survey and who provided us with valuable feedback. We are very grateful for all your kind comments. If you would still like to return your survey, we would be happy to receive any replies next week. Thank you for your help.

Reminder of times change for full day children

A reminder of the changes in arrival and departure times for our full day children. This is to ease congestion in the porch and to make it easier for parents at home time. The times are as follows:

- Yellow group & Red full day children to arrive at 9am
- Blue group to arrive at 9.10am
- Yellow group & Red full day children to leave at 3.00pm
- Blue group to leave at 3.10pm.

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 **one or more** symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19): a high temperature (*this does not have to be a sustained 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 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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