



Oxclose Nursery Newsletter

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Rainbow Week

The children have had a lovely week in nursery. We have had rainbow themed activities. It is lovely to see how well they have grown up and how kind they are to each other. We cannot believe that it is almost the end of the year with them! We are very lucky to have such nice children attend our nursery, and they are a credit to all our families.

Lost Property

Some of our children are missing items of clothing. They have lost red cardigans and a blue coat. These are all named, so please could you check the clothing that your child has taken home this week. They may have picked up the wrong items. Thank you.

Children who started nursery during the lockdown

We are aware that children who started nursery during the lockdown have not had the same induction experience of other families. This is because our existing children were attending nursery at the time, and we could not mix bubbles. As a result, their parents could not enter the building. We would like to offer those families, the opportunity to visit our nursery garden so that the children can show you where they play. You will be able to book 15-minute slots on Tuesday 6th July 2021, between 4pm and 5pm. This visit will be held in the garden, and we kindly ask that adults wear a mask and adhere to social distancing rules. Please phone the office in advance if you would like to visit.

Hayfever

At this time of year many of the children suffer from hay fever. It is important to let us know if your child does suffer from this and also if they are taking medication. This can leave some children heavy eyed and lethargic and it will be helpful to staff to be aware of this information.

Graduation Photographs

We have managed to re-arrange a date for those who were absent for these. The new date is Tuesday 6th July, and pictures will be taken around 9.30am.

Coughs and Temperature Rise

We would like to remind all parents/carers that it is our policy that any child who presents with **one or more COVID symptoms**, should stay at home and book a **PCR COVID test**. Your child cannot return to nursery without a negative test result being emailed before arrival. This is to safeguard all children and staff in nursery. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

Coronavirus Testing

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.

Graduation photographs - take two	Tuesday 6th July 2021
Nursery closes for Summer Holidays	Friday 16 th July 2021

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