



# Oxclose Nursery Newsletter

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## Phototronics

Phototronics will now be visiting us on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2021. They will take a photo of your child that should be ready to collect before Christmas. We have a few brothers and sisters attending nursery. Please could you let the office know if you would like single or family group photos only? We will then inform the photographer. Thank you.

## Chicken Pox

We have a few incidents of chicken pox in nursery. Please be on the lookout for the early symptoms at home...a very grumpy child! Lucky parents! ☺

## Shampoo and Bubble Bath

The theme of wanting to mix messy ingredients is continuing in nursery. If you are clearing out your bathroom cupboards and have any old unwanted shampoo, bubble bath or shower gels please send them into nursery. Thank you!

## Miniature toiletries bottles

Once you have finished using all the lovely Christmas miniature bottles of toiletries over the Christmas holidays, would you please bring them into nursery to be used in our water play area. Thank you!

## Seesaw

We have discovered that some of our parents were not aware of Seesaw. We share photographs of your child in nursery using an app called Seesaw. However, we also love it when families share photos and videos of your child working at home, or going on nice trips. We can then use these pictures to prompt discussions with the children at nursery. If you would like more information, please ask in the office.

## Library Books

We are planning to resume the library lending service in nursery. Your child's keyworker will help your child to choose a library book on Thursday to take home for the weekend. We then ask that the books are returned on Monday. More information will follow...

## Coronavirus

We ask that nursery is informed as quickly as possible if your child will not be attending nursery for any reason.

**Please inform nursery immediately of any Covid test results via email.**

## Symptoms of Coronavirus

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 book a **PCR COVID test**. If anyone tests positive for coronavirus in your household, you should also book a PCR test for your child, and inform us of the result.

Please note that Lateral flow tests are not accepted. Only PCR tests are considered to be a reliable indicator of covid infection status.

This is to safeguard all children and staff in nursery. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

**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](mailto: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.**

### **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.

Children in Need: Pudsey Bear	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Phototronics	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021
Nursery Closed for Inset Training	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Charity event: Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
Christmas Theatre Production in Nursery	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
Break up for Christmas Holidays	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
Nursery Reopens	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022

### **Platinum Jubilee Celebration - Additional Day.**

Schools have been requested to have an additional closure day to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We have decided to take ours on **Friday 27th May 2022**. We wanted to give as much notice as possible and so thought that we would let you know now.

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