



Oxclose Nursery Newsletter

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Vomiting and Diarrhoea

We appear to have a nasty sickness bug affecting children in nursery. Children with diarrhoea or vomiting should stay away from nursery for 2 days after their symptoms have gone.

Parent Surveys

Thank you for your feedback through the parent surveys. We do consider all comments and will put actions in place whenever these are needed. Next week we will share the final results, which are very positive. One area in which we will look to do even better is in sharing learning. We will share an overview of next week's learning on Seesaw. We will also consider other ways in which we can share learning to build on the excellent partnerships which exist between parents and Nursery.

Musical Story Telling

Parents recently enjoyed one of our wonderful visits from Brendon Renwick, the Music Man. Brendon is a really popular visitor and he helps us to inspire the children to love stories as well as learn all about rhythm and rhyme. We are delighted that a video of one of his sessions is now on our website. We are also excited to share links to 4 musical stories which Brendon has produced. Brendon has kindly allowed us to put some links on our website and these can be found on our Reading and Phonics page. Please open the links and share with your children- we are sure that you will love them!

The Three Little Pigs

<https://youtu.be/YbektSiSL94>

The Three Billy Goats Gruff

https://youtu.be/m3IEYICgK_o

Goldilocks And The Three Bears

<https://youtu.be/BLzyGxz-vqE>

The Little Red Hen

<https://youtu.be/T-SVASiAJyQ>

Easter Bunny!

It feels like an April Fool's joke that it is snowing leading up to our Easter Bunny Hunt! Please keep your fingers crossed that the weather improves before next Wednesday!

On **Wednesday 6th April 2022** each group will be taking part in an Easter Bunny hunt.

Parents/carers are invited to join their children in the hunt for the bunny and his chocolate eggs!

AM

Red Group Children 9am-9.30am

Green Group Children 11am-11.30am

PM

Red Group Children 12.30pm to 1pm

Yellow Group Children 1.45pm to 2.15pm

Blue Group Children 2.30pm-3pm

Junk Modelling

Thank you for all your kind donations of junk for our modelling area. We should have enough donations until after the holidays. Thank you for your help!

Dental Hygiene

Does your child clean their teeth each day? It is important to begin these important life skills early in a child's life.

Did you know? A quarter of 5 year olds have experienced tooth decay, having on average 3 or 4 teeth affected. The vast majority of tooth decay in children under 6 years old is untreated.

More information about how to care for your child's teeth can be found on:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-teeth-and-gums/taking-care-of-childrens-teeth/>

Safeguarding

Everyone has a responsibility to help protect children or vulnerable adults who may be at risk of harm. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or vulnerable adult, you can contact County Durham Councils First contact service on 03000 267 979

Wraparound Care: Naming

We have also asked the children who are attending to think of a suitable name and a design/mascot to represent our Wraparound Care service. There have been some good ideas but we are still open to ideas and suggestions so get your thinking caps on! We are planning on having some branding made with the new name and logo and plan to have signs on the outside of the building so this is a good opportunity for budding marketing professionals!

Parent Support

Miss Bewick, our Parent Support Advisor, is available to offer support. She can be contacted via the school office or on 07584072973 and can also be emailed: r.bewick300@oxclosespennymoor.uk.

Coronavirus

Please inform nursery of any Covid test results via email.

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

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.

Easter Bunny Egg Hunt	Wednesday 6 th April
Nursery Closes for Easter Holidays	Friday 8 th April 2022
Nursery Reopens	Monday 25 th April 2022
Nursery Closed for May Day	Monday 2 nd May 2022
Summer Half Term	Thursday 26 th May 2022
Nursery Reopens	Monday 6 th June 2022
Nursery Closed for Inset Training	Monday 20 th June 2022
Nursery Closes for Summer Holiday	Wednesday 20 th July 2022

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