

Curzon Crescent Nursery School and Children's Centre

October 2019



Dear Curzon Families,

I am Nisha the new Executive Head Teacher. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you and your children this half term. Usually I am based at Curzon on Tuesdays and Fridays if you would like to meet with me. I am really looking forward to working with the Curzon team to provide the best early childhood education experience for your family.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very warm welcome to the new school year and we hope you had a wonderful summer.



The returning children have settled back into their nursery routine very well and this has helped the new children to get to know us and what wonderful opportunities are on offer at nursery every single day. It is great to see the children really keen to come and learn.

Resident Artist

We are delighted to tell you that this year we have an **artist** working with children and staff to develop creative projects that will nurture the children's curiosity, her name is **Cath**.

Her project work for this term is working with **clay**.



Book bags

We are pleased to see how keen the nursery children are to have their book bags. They will soon be invited to choose a book to take home to share with you.

Members of staff will work together with parent volunteers to support the children to choose a book each week. If you are interested in helping out in this way please speak to a member of staff.



The Nursery closes for half term from

Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October —we will re-open on Monday 28th October 2019.

When we return to nursery after the holiday the staff will be arranging appointments to meet you all to talk about how your child has settled in and what they are learning about at nursery.



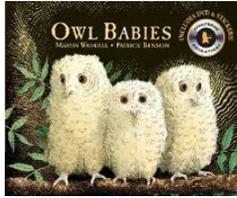
Self- registration

When the children arrive at nursery they find their name card. This is a very important activity for them as they are learning about letters and reading. Please encourage them to do it for themselves—you will be very proud when they succeed in finding it and in time begin to write it for themselves too.

Curriculum

The learning behaviours we will be developing with the children this half term are: **building trusting relationships, being brave, talking about feelings, being kind and helpful and keeping safe at nursery.**

We will also observing and responding to the children's interests and lines of inquiry as they appear.



In the **Red, Green and Orange** classes we are reading **Owl Babies** with the children. This book helps us to explore the feelings around separating from parents/carers. You can listen to the story with your

children at home - it is available on youtube.

In the **Purple** and **Yellow** classes we have been singing: 5 Little Monkeys, Twinkle Twinkle Little Star and Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes - you can practice the words with your child at home.

Being Active

Physical activity is crucial for children's health and well-being. At nursery the children can choose to play outside everyday whatever the weather. They are always required to put on their coats if it is cold or raining and asked to stay under the covered areas if they are not wearing wet weather gear.



Attendance

If your child is away from nursery for any reason please let us know by calling 0208 459 6813.

We strongly encourage children to be in school whenever possible.

We monitor children's attendance and note the reasons for absence. If your child is absent, and we have not heard from you, we will contact you to find out the reason they are not in school.

Autumn Term



Parent Information Meeting

Please come along to hear about some of the ways you can support children's learning at home.

'Helping Children Learn' 9.15 am -10am
16th October (repeated on 18th October)

SNACK TIME



The children have snacks at nursery with milk or water everyday .

Please could you bring a contribution of a healthy snack each week for your child to share in the classroom. This could be a few pieces of fruit, breadsticks, crackers, some carrots or cucumber. Thank you.



Do you have green fingers?

We would really appreciate any offers of help from keen, or potentially keen gardeners. Our garden is a huge asset for children's development and learning but we would love some help to keep it thriving.

Please see Lorraine if you are interested.

