# Nursery News Letter April 2023





Mr David Aldworth

Mrs Sally Appadu

Welcome back to all our lovely families! Our returning children have come back to nursery very well and we will be welcoming new starters from next week. We both hope you had a restful Easter holidays. Eid Mubarak to all those families celebrating later on this week.

It is so lovely to see that Spring is finally here and the warmer weather will be on its way soon.

Please make a note of all the important dates in the diary over the next four months.

### Dates for your diary

Early May bank holiday- Monday 1st May 2023

Parents evening for the end of the week children- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (sign up sheets for appointment times will be available in classrooms soon)

Bank holiday for King Charles Coronation - Monday 8th May 2023

Tempest in for Group photos (start of the week children) on Tuesday 9th May 2023

Tempest in for Group photos (end of the week children) on Thursday 11th May 2023

Break up for May half term Friday 26th May 2023

Return to nursery on Monday  $5^{\text{th}}$  June 2023

Break up for the summer holidays on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 12noon. There will be a community end of year party day on this day and a separate letter will follow.

#### School Places

If your child is attending school in September 2023, please let your key worker know which school they have been accepted at. We will be creating a list of schools and contacting them to have transition meetings at nursery. We look forward to these transition meetings with your child's new teachers. This will ensure a smooth start for your children starting school in September 2023. How exciting!

### New classroom arrangements

Our 2 year olds are settling well into their new classroom environment. As a polite reminder, please remember to bring your child to nursery between 8.45am- 9.15am. If you bring your child later than this time, then Isma will need to take your child into nursery. This is because group time starts at 9.15am prompt.

There are two options for pick up time. 2.25pm prompt is the early pick up time. Then we have story time sessions at nursery from 2.30pm until 2.50pm. The main pick up time is 2.50pm. Thank you for your continued understanding and support.

### **Allergies**

Please do not send your child into school with drinks, sweets or other food. We have several children who are severely allergic to fish, pulses and eggs etc. Please note we are also a nut free school. Please do not put snacks in your child's bag at nursery. There are plenty of opportunities for your child to have a snack at nursery.

Thank you for your continued support.

# Early Help and Family Support

If you need help with accessing food banks, benefits, housing, finances, counselling, parenting courses, English classes or adult education please ask to see Mrs Sally Appadu. She can make an early help referral. There are many agencies that can help families at the moment in Birmingham.

You can also access Family Support by phoning Doddington Children's Centre on 0121 477 6440. You can leave a message with the receptionist and a duty family support worker will phone back. They will phone you back on the same day between 12noon and 4.00pm.

## Attendance Matters

We understand that children are unwell sometimes but it is also important for us to promote good attendance at nursery.

The reasons for children to attend regularly at their early years setting are to support their learning and development and to make sure that children are kept safe. It is also important that their wellbeing is promoted and they do not miss out on their entitlements and opportunities.

Children who have achieved 80% or above for their attendance will be awarded a certificate at the end of the summer term. Well done to everyone who has received an excellent attendance certificate so far!