

Ditton Nursery School

Autumn Term 2018 Newsletter



Please visit our new webpage : <http://warringtonroad.halton.sch.uk/DittonNursery/Pages/DittonNurseryHome.aspx>



We are delighted to welcome back all the children who have returned to us and are pleased at how well the new children are settling in to 'life at nursery'. If your child started in Sept I've attached a questionnaire for you to fill in. If your child is returning there are some questions we would like you to ask your child, to help gain their view of nursery school. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you about a few points and to give you advance warning of some things which will be happening throughout the year.

Water bottles- You can bring in a named bottle with **water** in (not juice or flavoured water) for them to drink whenever they choose during the session. These must be taken home after the session to be refilled ready for the next day. Please be aware that staff will empty out anything which isn't water, as water is the healthiest option for your child, and anything else might pose a risk to another child with allergies.



30 Hour children - Packed Lunches

Could you please make sure that your child's name is on all of their bags, boxes and bottles? Please don't give your child too much- a sandwich, fruit and yoghurt plus a drink is fine. Any grapes must be cut in half length ways so they are not a choking hazard. Thank you.

Attendance - We are already assessing all children and planning to support their next steps. It is really important for children to come every day to ensure that they are not missing any of the exciting things we have planned. If your child is not well please phone to let us know.

Future dates to remember:

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| Tues | 9 th Oct | Photograph day |
| Fri | 19 th Oct | Nursery Closes |
| Tue | 30 th Oct | Nursery Opens |
| Thurs | 1 st Nov | Diwali sessions |
| Fri | 9 th Nov | Delamere trip |
| Fri | 16 th Nov | 'Children in Need' Day |
| Tues | 27 th Nov | Stay & Play Laura's Key Group |
| Tues | 27 th Nov | After school session for working |

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| Wed | 28 th Nov | Stay & play Jane's Key Group |
| Thurs | 29 th Nov | Stay & play Jo's Key Group |
| *Mon | 17 th Dec | Christmas Show |
| Tue | 18 th Dec | Christmas party |
| Thurs | 14 th Dec | Nursery Performance |
| Wed | 19 th Dec | Nursery Closes |
| Mon | 7 th Jan | Nursery Opens |
| Tue | 15 th Jan | Primary School Application |

Last date for applying for a Sept 2019 school place

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| *Fri | 22 nd Mar | Trip to Stockley Farm |
| *Fri | 21 st Jun | Trip to Underwater Street |

* Provisional Dates

Diwali To help the children learn about different cultures we have a lady called Deela coming to read a Diwali story, dress in traditional costume and teach some Indian dancing.



Snack money for this half term is £8 for 15 Hour children and £16 for 30

Half Term Holidays

School will close after your child's nursery session Friday 19th Oct. We re-open at the usual times on Tuesday 30th Oct.



From 25th May 2018 new laws concerning how we look after any data about your child came into effect. To comply with this act our revised privacy notice is on our website.

Applying for a primary school place - NOW is the time to do this!

Please remember that EVERYONE MUST FILL IN A HALTON FORM. DO NOT rely on an individual school form.

Apply ON line www.halton.gov.uk/schooladmissions or visit your local direct link.

Last date for applications is **15th January 2019**, please come and see us if you need help.



Home School Library - In the entrance.

Reading to your child is really important in teaching them about books and pre reading skills. The home school library is open every day and your child can visit and choose a book to take home and share with you. **Book bags are on sale at £4.00 each.** We would like to display photographs of your child reading with a family member so please send in any photos you have for us to display. If you have any adult books please send them in, we want to encourage children to read and seeing you read is a good way!

Stay and play

These sessions are an opportunity for you to stay and play with your child at nursery - to look at the sorts of things they do, to see how we speak to children, and how we engage them in learning. As well as this there is chance for a cup of tea and chat with your child's key person, as well as getting to know the other parents in your child's group. We also use this time to talk about ways you can support your child at home. Stay and play dates are:

- Tues 27th Nov Stay & Play Laura's Key Group
- Tues 27th Nov After school session for working parents
- Wed 28th Nov Stay & play Jane's Key Group
- Thurs 29th Nov Stay & play Jo's Key Group

Could all children please have an appropriate coat and wellies (all named) at nursery - we try to go outside everyday!



We now have a new webpage :

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You can find all our information here please take a look!



Facebook

We have a Facebook page and are using it to send reminders about events, holidays etc. If you 'like' our Facebook page then you will receive these reminders too. We have set the privacy levels so you will remain anonymous as long as you don't 'like or comment' on any of the comments we post.

Delamere Forest Trip - Friday 9th November

We will have a walk and collect autumn leaves and talk about the changes in the seasons. Parents are welcome to join us.



Disabled Car Parking Space
Please do not park in this space unless you are registered disabled and are displaying your blue badge. Staff will challenge anyone who is parking here unless they can see this displayed and you will be asked to move.

Post Box We have a post box situated at the nursery door. Parents can post snack money, trip money and any other replies or information. Please ensure all payments are in an envelope with your child's name clearly labelled and information of what the contents are.

