



Little Acorns Nursery

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Your Nursery News

Autumn term (Sept-Nov 2020)

Thank you

In what has been such a difficult time for all our families, we would like to say a huge thank you for your continued support. We really appreciate all your cooperation and following of the safety measures that we have put in place. These will be continuing for the foreseeable future.

We will be maintaining our class bubbles with the core staff in each room and maintaining social distance and our extra cleaning measures that we have already put in place. Pick up and collection of children will still be done at the gate outside. We will be looking at how we can have Covid safe parents' meetings in the next term to review your child development tracking and assessments

😊 Although LCC advised that observation and assessments were not mandatory throughout lockdown- we decided as a nursery to continue to do so to ensure consistency and quality remained.

Forest school

We will be re-starting our forest sessions in September. The children will be selected and have 6 weeks of forest school, one session a week on Cuerden Valley. We will inform you when it's your child's turn to go to the forest and we will be carrying out lots of activities building on exploration, self confidence and self esteem, woodland knowledge and a deeper understanding of nature. We cannot wait to get back out into the woods after several months away during the lockdown.

New Menu

We are very excited to announce that we have revamped our nursery menu. A copy will be given to all parents very soon. We will now include all allergens on the menu inline with current legislation. All food is home made fresh on site by our wonderful cook Judy.

Hellos and Goodbyes

We have just said Goodbye to all our amazing pre-school children who have gone to big school in what will be the toughest year to start reception, and we are so proud of all of them and how well they have coped in the lead up to school and the transition. We wish them lots of luck and happiness in this next big step in their lives!

A warm welcome to all the new families who have joined us this term! We hope you are looking forward to your child's learning journey as much as we are 😊

Loose Parts

As you know here at Little Acorns we are great advocates of Loose Parts and the importance they play in children's open-ended play and imagination.

In a play, loose parts are materials that can be moved, carried, combined, redesigned, lined up, and taken apart and put back together in multiple ways. They are materials with no specific set of directions that can be used alone or combined with other materials. Loose parts can be natural or synthetic. We are looking to restock our supplies, if you have any of the following that you have no use for, we would greatly appreciate your donations: stones, stumps, sand, gravel, fabric, twigs, wood, pallets, balls, buckets, baskets, crates, boxes, logs, stones, flowers, rope, tyres, balls, shells and seedpods.

LONG-TERM PLANNING EVENTS WE ARE LEARNING ABOUT THIS TERM:

Halloween, Diwali, Space week, Bonfire night, Remembrance Day

Staff news

Welcome back to Molly our Qualified Teacher who has taken on Pre-supervisor role as Becky is on maternity leave. Congratulations to Rachel M on the safe arrival of her little baby boy, we wish her and her family lots of love! Sadly Anna and Rachael B will not be returning to us after their maternity leave as they have decided to stay at home and spend more time with their children. Well done to Donna for completing her NVQ level 2 qualification.

Things to remember

As we play out in all weathers we ask if you could please bring weather appropriate attire for your child such as gloves, hats, wellies etc. If you would like to leave a pair of wellies at nursery with your child's name in, we can store them here ready for outdoor play.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter.

All the team at Little Acorns