

October 2024 Newsletter

Theme Days:



After we celebrate World Animal Day on Friday 4th October, our next theme day will be 'Wear something bright for Bonfire Night'. Children are invited to come to nursery in their brightest, sparkiest and most colourful outfits – like a firework. This will take place on Tuesday 5th November 2024, with a voluntary donation going towards our Festive celebrations.



Reception Class Applications:

If your child's date of birth is between 01/09/2020 and 31/08/2021 then now is the time to apply for their Reception Class School.

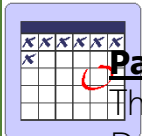
School applications are now open and will close on 15th January 2025. You must apply before this date!

Only online applications are being accepted. To apply please visit: www.slough.gov.uk/admissions



Reception School Uniform:

With the cost of school uniform often putting financial pressure on parents, we will be purchasing a small selection of boys sweatshirts and girls cardigans for both Grove Academy and Montem Academy. Parents can then reserve an item, and if necessary, make payments against it throughout the year. Please let Sarah know if this is something you are interested in.



Parent Consultations:

This term's parent chat's will now be taking place over the week commencing 9th December 2024 (note amended date from the previous newsletter). Each keyworker will be allocated a specific day to complete their consultations (as detailed below). I will be sending out time options to all parents soon, and if you want to attend a meeting, you can let me know your preferred times. The allocated days will not be able to be changed, so we're giving you as much notice as possible.

Monday 9th – Ana

Tuesday 10th – Farhat

Wednesday 11th – Mrs Qayum and Mrs Kandola

Thursday 12th – Mrs Khan

Friday 13th – Casey and Bhav

If you don't know who your child's keyworker is, please come back to me and I will let you know.

You do not have to do anything now.... We will be in touch soon.



Last Week of Autumn Term:

Wednesday 18th December 2024

Parents are invited into nursery for our Christmas "Rhyme Time". The start time for the morning session is 10:30am, and the afternoon session is 2:30pm. Entrance is via the garden gate, which will close at 10.40am and 2.40pm respectively. Please ensure you arrive on time, as late arrivals will not be admitted as it causes disruption for the children and other parents. This will last approx. 30 minutes. Parents of full-time children can choose either time. A reminder will be sent later in the year.

Thursday 19th December 2024

Santa and some of his elves will be visiting the children at Nursery. There will be a Winter Wonderland to visit, including some 'snowy' animals and each child will receive a gift.

Friday 20th December 2024

Last day of our Autumn Term and the day of our Christmas Party.

To allow the staff to complete home visits for the new children starting in January, and so that we don't have to close the school to facilitate this, we will be altering the session times on this day. Details to follow in the next newsletter



Attendance Reminder:

All absences must be reported to the school office only. Any non-reported absences will be recorded as 'unauthorised'. If unwell, please advise the nature of the illness – not just 'unwell'

If your child reaches 10 absence days during a school year (Sept to Jul) the School Business Manager will send you an email letting you know. If your child reaches 15 absence days, a meeting will be set up with your child's keyworker. The nursery reserves the right to terminate the Agreement and off-roll your child if absences (for any reason) of 20 days have accrued across the school year. This will be at the discretion of the Head teacher.

If you arrive after the school gate has closed at 8:45am or 12:45pm, you will need to bring your child in through the school reception. A 'late' mark will be recorded and you will need to wait with your child until 9:00am or 1.00pm, before they can be taken through to the classroom.

If you are late to collect your child, we will record this, and if you hit 3 late collections, the school will issue you a £5 fine, as this is unfunded staffing time.

Children must be accompanied to and from Nursery by an adult. The Nursery only takes responsibility for the child when they have been handed to a member of staff at the classroom door. In the interest of your child's safety, we ask that you let the

Nursery staff know whenever anyone other than yourself is going to collect your child.

Please note: If the person collecting your child looks younger than 16, we will need to see proof of date of birth – Please understand, this is for safeguarding reasons.

Outside Play:



One common question that we hear from parents is 'are the children going outside if it is cold?'

The common belief is that children will not like being outdoors or will get sick being outdoors in the cold. Playing outside is so important for learning and has so many different opportunities for exploration. It is very important for early childhood development. Sickness is caused by a viral or bacterial infection. When children go outside, they are less likely to get sick since they are out in the open fresh air with an abundance of Vitamin D. Viruses are transmitted by direct contact, and children share toys, hug each other and touch each other, so the chance to spread infection is higher indoors than outdoors due to the type of activities they engage in and the equipment used.

Please do not ask us to keep your child inside during the Nursery session.

Appropriate Clothing:



Children need to be wearing clothes which are suitable for lots of activities like climbing, running, rolling, sitting, jumping. Dresses, jeans, shirts, Crocs, flip flops etc. are not suitable for these activities. The children need to be dressed comfortably. Suitable clothing items are tracksuits, leggings, trainers.

Children also need to dress appropriately for the changing weather. We will be going outside WHATEVER the weather. This means if it is raining, your child needs to be wearing a coat.

A reminder – we have Regatta waterproof suits available to purchase from the school office for £10

Parent Workshops:



Diane Lister, who runs our toddler playgroup and has over 40 years of teaching experience, will be running the following workshops this term:

Toilet Training - Wednesday 23rd October 2024

Early Writing – Wednesday 20th November 2024

Timings will be 10.15am to 11.15am and 12.45pm to 1.45pm.

Spaces are limited and pre-registration is essential. If you wish to attend, please email Sarah in the school office (bursar@chalveyeyc.slough.sch.uk)

Dates for your diary:

World Animal Day – donations welcome	Friday 4 th October 2024
Last Day of Autumn Term 1 Attendance Prizes Given Out	Friday 25 th October 2024
First Day Back for Autumn Term 2	Monday 4 th November 2024
Wear Something Bright for Bonfire Night – donations welcome	Tuesday 5 th November 2024
Bake Sale Supporting Children in Need	Friday 15 th November 2024
Parent Consultations	9 th to 13 th December 2024
Festive Visitor to Nursery School	Thursday 19 th December 2024
Last Day of Autumn Term 2 & Christmas Party – Amended session times TBC	Friday 20 th December 2024

The safeguarding of children is of the utmost importance.
If you have any cause for concern, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Team:

Miss Lister – Safeguarding Lead
Miss Hualde – Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mr Yanambakkam – Safeguarding Governor

Routine Vaccination Programme

Age due	Diseases protected against	Vaccine given and trade name	Usual site ¹	
Eight weeks old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), polio, Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) and hepatitis B	DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB	Infanrix hexa or Vaxelis	Thigh
	Meningococcal group B (MenB)	MenB	Bexsero	Left thigh
	Rotavirus gastroenteritis	Rotavirus	Rotarix ²	By mouth
Twelve weeks old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, Hib and hepatitis B	DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB	Infanrix hexa or Vaxelis	Thigh
	Pneumococcal (13 serotypes)	PCV	Prevenar 13	Thigh
	Rotavirus	Rotavirus	Rotarix ²	By mouth
Sixteen weeks old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, Hib and hepatitis B	DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB	Infanrix hexa or Vaxelis	Thigh
	MenB	MenB	Bexsero	Left thigh
One year old (on or after the child's first birthday)	Hib and MenC	Hib/MenC	Menitorix	Upper arm/thigh
	Pneumococcal	PCV booster	Prevenar 13	Upper arm/thigh
	Measles, mumps and rubella (German measles)	MMR	MMRvaxPro ³ or Priorix	Upper arm/thigh
	MenB	MenB booster	Bexsero	Left thigh
Eligible paediatric age group ⁴	Influenza (each year from September)	Live attenuated influenza vaccine LAIV	Fluenz ^{3,5}	Both nostrils
Three years four months old or soon after	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and polio	dTaP/IPV	Boostrix-IPV	Upper arm
	Measles, mumps and rubella	MMR (check first dose given)	MMRvaxPro ³ or Priorix	Upper arm