

King Square Community Nursery

October 2023

We would like to warmly welcome all our new families to the nursery and to welcome back our existing families. We hope you had a lovely Summer and are looking to an exciting new term. We have lots of exciting activities for your children over the next few months.

Staff update

Room	Room Leader	Key person/support staff
Bumblebee	Kerry	Leah R /Debbie- Ashley/Lauren/Shahmeena
Butterfly	Viviana	Tonia/Louise/Leah S/ Nicola/Daniela
Caterpillar	Hayley	Tina/Joan/Tracey/Nichola

Inset Day

On Friday 20th October the nursery will be closed to all children for staff Safeguarding training. Please make a note in your diaries.

Reporting your child's absence

If your child is going to be absent from the nursery, can you please make sure you let us know by 9.30am either by telephone (0208 187 0345) or by email (rebecca@kingsquarenursery.co.uk)

Sickness

As the season of coughs and colds arrives, please make sure that your child is well enough to attend nursery. If your child is not well and you have administered Calpol before nursery, please consider if your child is well enough to attend nursery, it may be that they just need a PJ day to re-charge.

Halloween Fundraising Fun

On Tuesday 31st October we would love to see the children in their favourite Halloween outfits. During the day the children will be participating in a sponsored spooky dance. Sponsorship forms will be available in the office from next week. This will be our first fundraising activity of the new term and we would like all our families to take part. If your child does not attend on Tuesday 31 Oct, you can bring them in at 10.15 until 11.15 for the sponsored spooky dance. If anyone has any decorations we can borrow for the day it would be

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greatly appreciated. Last but certainly not least any parents who can help decorate and supervise for the hour please speak to the office.

Children In Need

On Friday 17th November the children can come to nursery dressed in their pyjamas and donate a minimum of £1.00 towards a great cause.

Black History

In October we will be celebrating Black History Month. If any parent/carers would like to join us then we warmly invite you to celebrate with us. We would love the children to experience the different foods, clothes and music from the Caribbean and African culture so, if anyone would like to contribute to the activities of the week please speak to Jo or Rebecca.

Packed Lunches

Can we please remind parents that we are a nut free nursery this includes no Nutella, hummus or peanut butter sandwiches. All children's packed lunch boxes need to be clearly labelled. In line with our healthy eating policy can we please remind parents that no crisps, juice or chocolate are to be given at lunch. We also recommend a maximum of 4 items in the lunch box.

Fees

Please can you make sure your fees are paid on time, payment must be made by BACS either monthly or weekly whatever was agreed on admission with the office. We operate a no arrears policy, if you fall behind you could lose your nursery place.

Uniforms

Uniforms are for sale in the office. We would like to encourage all children to wear them. The cost of the uniform is £9.00 for a polo shirt and £11.00 for a sweatshirt. Please make sure you clearly label all your child's belongings (jackets, jumpers and lunch bags) to avoid loss or taking the wrong item home.

Applying for a Primary school

If your child is born between 01/09/2019- 31/08/2020, you will need to apply for a primary school place by January 2024. You will need to apply online via your local authority website. Please note that some schools require supplementary forms. If you need any help, please speak to Jo.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 2023	Black History Month
Friday 20 October 2023	INSET DAY - nursery closed to all children
Monday 23rd - 27th Friday October	Half term - Nursery closed to term time children
Tuesday 31st October	Halloween fundraising Fun
Friday 17 th November	Children In Need - Pyjamas day
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Last day of term for all children. Nursery closes at 2pm
Monday 8th January 2024	First day back