

# Ronald Tree Nursery School



# Parents' Newsletter September 2022

#### Welcome!

Welcome to the Nursery! We hope that your child is settling in well. Each half term you will receive a newsletter to keep you updated with nursery information. Our newsletter is also published on our website ronaldtreenursery.co.uk. The website contains lots of information about the school which we hope you will find useful. Most importantly please like our Facebook page—where we post links to the newsletter, and lots of important news and updates.

Thank you.

# **Snack Money**

We do not receive any funding from the Government for snacks. We please ask for 15 hour parents to pay £2.50 per week and 30 hour parents to pay £5 per week towards the cost of the snacks your child eats during their nursery sessions and for resources. This allows us to provide good quality, healthy food for your child. Please pay in an envelope with your child's name on at the beginning of each week, or you may pay monthly.

Thank you

# **Staff changes**

We welcome Joanne Smith and Lucy Myers to our team. Jo will be working as our Early Years Practitioner for purple group, and Lucy will cleaning alongside Addie. We wish them both all the very best in their new roles.

#### Illness

If your child is <u>at all</u> ill please ring the school and let us know they are poorly.

Telephone 01536 514240.

Although it is not mandatory to isolate with covid anymore, we would still be grateful if you could let us know if anyone in your household is positive. Children who are poorly with covid should stay at home until they are better please.

If your child has suffered from sickness and/or diarrhoea you must keep them at home for at least 48 hrs after the last bout of illness. We hope this will stop it spreading to other children and staff.

Thank you.

# **Dates for your Diary**

Thursday 20th October is the last day of term
Friday 21st October—Nursery Closed—staff training day
Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October - Nursery Closed for half term
Monday 31st October - Nursery Re —opens
Friday 16th December - Last day of term
19th December to 2nd January nursery closed for Christmas
Tuesday 3rd January—staff training day
Wednesday 4th January—Nursery re-opens

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#### **Tapestry**

Please check that your child is now linked to your Tapestry account and let Claire or Mandy in reception know if you are having any problems logging on. You should receive an email when we post an observation about your child. Please check these observations and click 'like' or leave a comment. You can also add photos of things your child has done at home. This is an effective way for school and family to work together.

Thank you.

# IMPORTANT Application for school places

If your child turns 4 between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023 you need to apply for a primary school place by 5pm 15th January 2023.

The easiest way to do this is online at

northnorthants.gov.uk/primary-school-places

Alternatively paper forms are available from:
School Admissions Team
c/o North Northamptonshire Council
Angel Street
Northampton NN1 1ED

The contact details for school admissions is; Email: admissions.ncc@northnorthants.gov.uk

Tel: 0300 126 3000

If you need any help please ask at reception.



#### Clothes

A named bag will be provided for you child. Please do not bring backpacks etc, as these do not fit on our pegs. Please can we ask that you bring in plenty of sets of named clothes for their bag and nappies and wipes if If your child does not appropriate. have any spare clothes on their peg, we may have to ring you to bring some in. If your child comes to nursery wearing wellies, please can we ask that they bring a separate spare pair of shoes to wear whilst being inside. The nursery can not be held responsible for any lost items, so please put your child's name in all items of clothing, bags and shoes.

It is your responsibility to please check your child's bag when you drop off or collect your child.

Thank you



# Attendance



It is very important to keep bringing your child to nursery to encourage their development and establish a school routine. Therefore, we reward those children who have good attendance. Children with high attendance will receive a certificate and small gift at the end of the autumn, spring and summer terms.

# Would you like to be a School Parent Governor?

Ronald Tree Nursery is run by a voluntary Governing Body and we have vacancies for two parent governors. Parent governors play an important role in the management of the school. If you are interested, please speak to Claire on reception before 16th September.

Thank you.

# **Safeguarding Statement**

Everyone at Ronald Tree is committed to keeping every child safe. If we have any concerns we will share them with parents/carers as early as possible. We are obliged to pass on information and involve relevant services if we believe a child is at risk of harm. If you have any concerns about a child please ask at reception to speak as soon as possible to;



Debra Thwaites or



Christine Whitney

The local authority contact number for safeguarding referrals is  $0300\ 126\ 7000$ 

#### Reminder

Please can you remember to keep us updated with your latest contact details, especially the **CORRECT TELEPHONE** NUMBERS as it is important we get hold of you as soon as possible in the case of EMERGENCY. Also please be sure to change the numbers of emergency contacts too if they change. Please let Claire or Mandy know at reception so our records are up to date.

Thank you.

#### Collecting children

You **must** please tell staff on reception if anyone different is collecting your child from nursery. We will ask for a password and their phone number. We will be unable to send children home with people who are unknown to us and we will ring you if we are unsure. This is a **safeguarding** issue.

Thank you.

# **Session times**

Please be **on time** when bringing and collecting your child. Children arriving and leaving at different times can cause disruption for all the other children. If you need to collect early for a particular reason, please let reception know in advance. The breakfast club door closes at **8.20am** and the main door closes at 8.40am and 12.40pm. Collection times are from 11.20am and 3.15pm, to allow parents to get to other schools.

Thank you

### Sun cream

On sunny days please apply sun cream to your child before coming to nursery. If your child is at nursery all day, please apply an all day sun cream or supply a named bottle of sun cream in your child's bag which can be re-applied at lunchtime.

Thank you.

## Home learning

We will attach an activity to the newsletter for you to enjoy with your child at home to encourage their learning. Try our early reading tips and let us know how you get on.