



Ronald Tree Nursery School



Parents' Newsletter

September 2023

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

Everyday, we provide snacks, milk and water for your child. 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 your child's snacks.



This allows us to provide good quality, healthy food for your child and occasionally, we use snack money for themed resources and treats.

From September you will be able to pay for your child's snack contribution on the WEDUC App under Payments.

You can also still pay in an envelope with your child's name on at the beginning of each week, or month. Thank you.

Weduc Payments

You can now make Weduc payments for any additional hours you are invoiced for. This is new to the office so please bear with us while we get this up and running. You can still pay via the Tax Free Childcare. Thank you

Illness

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

Telephone 01536 514240.

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.

Staff changes

We welcome Vicky Morris to our team. Vicky will be working as our Early Years Practitioner for the purple group. Mel Perkins has changed role to Family Support Officer and will be working along side our Ronald Tree families. We wish them both all the very best in their new roles.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 20th October is the last day of term

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October - Nursery Closed for half term

Monday 30th October - Nursery re-opens

Tuesday 31st October—Children can come dressed up in their Halloween costumes if they like.

Wednesday 20th December - Last day of term

21st December to 5th January nursery closed for Christmas

Monday 8th January—Nursery re-opens



Tapestry

Once your child starts nursery they will be linked to your Tapestry account. Please let Sinead 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 2023 and 31st August 2024 you need to apply for a primary school place by 5pm 15th January 2024.

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 appropriate**. If your child does not 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

Accident Forms

From September, our accident forms will be kept electronically in Tapestry. They will be shared with you and you will be asked to sign on the staff members Ipad.

Thanks

Attendance



It is very important to keep bringing your child to nursery to encourage their development, build relationships 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 a vacancy for one parent governor. Parent governors play an important role in the management of the school. If you are interested, please speak to Mandy on reception before 15th September.

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;



Deb Thwaites



Chris Whitney

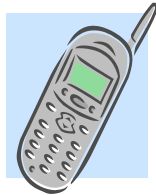


Mel Perkins

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 Mandy or Sinead know at reception so our records are up to date.



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.

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.

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.