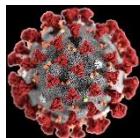




Newsletter November 2020

New Covid-19 Measures



This will include that we will now be wearing gloves when we come and collect your children and their belongings. We will have an all in one fabric anti-bacterial foam spray in each room & on the inside of the gate which we will be using to spray your children's bags. We also request that you wear face masks when dropping off or collecting your children. Please continue to respect the space of other parents/carers at this point and wait until any drop-offs or collections are complete for the parent/carer in front of you before pressing the bell for your own child. In these events, we will acknowledge your presence and endeavour to collect/return your child as soon as possible. Please also remember to bring as little as possible to the setting with your child, we ask for no toys from home unless this is their usual comforter which will also be sprayed, but please do provide one spare set of clothes, lunchbox (if not having school dinners), drinks bottle and suitable clothing for the weather especially now as it is getting colder.

Lockdown

With the second lockdown now underway we would like to reassure you all that we will be open to our normal capacity. We will continue to implement the stringent precautions we have put in place and in this respect we are going to be putting in place a couple of extra measures.

Parent Guidance

On the 28th September we emailed out an updated Coronavirus letter, please take your time to read this as it sets out many different points. We will continue to review this often updating it where needed to include the most recent government guidelines. Some of the important points where;

- The symptoms of coronavirus.
- Advice for self-isolation and testing.
- It set out the procedure we would take if a child/adult was to contract coronavirus/show signs and symptoms of this whilst at the setting.



Sickness

Please note that we are unable to care for children who are unwell due to our duty of care in safeguarding all children and our infection control policy.

Additionally, please be reminded that children who have had sickness and/or diarrhoea must be kept away from the setting for 48 hours after the last episode.

For children who have been prescribed antibiotics we require that they are kept home for 48 hours before they return to the setting (if well enough).

If your child or someone in your household shows symptoms of coronavirus, please keep your child at home and get a test. If this comes back negative when your child is well enough they can return to the setting.

NHS

Open Door Policy

Please be reminded that although we are not currently having parents in the setting we still have an 'open door' policy. This means that if you would like to speak to your child's keyperson, a member of the senior leadership team or Harriet please do not hesitate to get in to contact with us. We are all contactable through email, phone calls and virtual meetings so please get in contact if you would like to speak to our staff.



Please find below the spaces available for each day in the Foundation and Baby room. If you would like a space on top of your usual booked hours please let us know as soon as possible as the spaces are limited.

All day sessions are also available in both rooms.

Foundation Stage Spaces November

Day	Date	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	9th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Wednesday	11th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Thursday	12th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Friday	13th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Monday	16th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Wednesday	18th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Thursday	19th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Friday	20th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Monday	23rd	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Wednesday	25th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Thursday	26th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm
Friday	27th	8:30am-12:30pm	12:30pm-3:00pm

Baby Room Spaces November

Day	Date	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	9th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Tuesday	10th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Wednesday	11th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Thursday	12th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Friday	13th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Monday	16th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Tuesday	17th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Wednesday	18th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Thursday	19th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
Friday	20th	8:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-5:00pm
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Wish List

If you have any of the following, we would appreciate any donations to improve our outside area;

Paint, varnish, plants, pots, compost, wooden planters, bedding plants, shrubs and large stones



Medication Forms

We have now introduced a process to support both children and their parents with medical/medication needs. If your child has a medical need please let us know and we will send you our new forms.



Fruit Bar

Please remember that the foundation stage room offers a fruit bar to all of the children during snack time. In order for us to continue doing this we ask that each foundation stage parent/carer donates some fruit each week. This fruit will be chopped up and the children will take it in turns each day to serve this to their friends.

Dates for your Diary



Children in Need

The preschool will be celebrating children in need week commencing 9th November. We will encourage the children to come in dressing up, pyjamas or spotty clothes for the week so they all get a chance to take part. In the setting we will be doing a range of fun Pudsey activities.

Last Day of Term

The last day of Autumn Term 2 is Friday 18th December.

January Return

The first day we will reopen in after two weeks Christmas holiday will be Monday 4th January 2021.

Staff All About Me

Name: Leeanne King-Bushell

Job Role: Shalfleet Little Explorers Foundation Stage Room Leader & Deputy supervisor

Leeanne first completed her level 2 Childcare & Education in 2006 before having a break to have her own children where she then worked in Health & Social care gaining her Level 3. Leeanne first joined Shalfleet Little Explorers as a volunteer in September 2017 whilst she was undertaking a Foundation Degree in Early Years Care and Education (Level 4&5) at Chichester University. In November 2019 Leeanne was offered a full time role as a childcare practitioner and on completion of her Foundation degree and a successful interview, Leeanne became the Foundation Stage Room Leader and Deputy supervisor here at Little Explorers in September 2020. Leeanne is currently continuing her studies at Chichester University to complete the BA Honours degree in early years (Level 6).

Recent courses completed; SEN Diploma, Administration of Medicines, Equality and Diversity, Mental Health awareness in Children and Young People, Safeguarding, Prevent, FGM, Child Exploitation, Adverse Childhood Experiences, Paediatric First Aid, Specific Learning disabilities and Autism awareness.