

# **February 2020 Newsletter**

Our adult led thread this month will be: Feelings

Throughout the month of February, we will be exploring the feelings of ourselves and those of others. We will incorporate this into our sessions using a variety of methods such as singing, dancing, arts and craft, stories, games and activities.

It has been lovely welcoming all the children and their families back, both new and existing, into nursery this month. We have had great fun making new friends.

If your child is attending a Wednesday morning or Friday afternoon session can we please ask that children are either wearing or bring with them a pair of sports trainers so they are able to take part in activities with our sports instructor Dave.

Following this, unfortunately we have some sad news to share with you. Jasmin will be leaving us on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February to take a career break from childcare. Jasmin has been a fantastic practitioner and keyworker during her time with us at Charlotte's Web and will be very much missed. I would like to reassure the parents of children to whom Jasmin is a keyworker to that these children will be paired with a new keyworker they already have a good bond with to ensure this is a smooth transition for them too. We will update you on this as soon as possible.

Parent's evening - We will be holding a parent's evening on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February from 6pm. We would like to see as many parents as possible to be able share and discuss your child's learning, development, progress and achievements with you. There will be time slots available to book with your child's keyworker which will last approximately 20 minutes. If you would like to book an appointment to discuss anything else, I will also have appointment slots available too. Light refreshments will be available. If you cannot make this evening then please do come and talk with us so we can make alternative arrangements.

### Information for new starters:

- Morning session 9am-1pm / Afternoon session 1:30pm-5:30pm / Full day session 9am-5:30pm
- Please bring a named bottle of water along with your child's lunch and/or tea box.
- Ensure your child has with them a named bag with spare clothes as messy play is always available every session.
- Nappy changing bag if required
- Ensure your child has suitable clothes for the weather. E.g. coat, gloves, sun hat, etc
- If your child is attending a full day then please bring with them in their bag any comforters they may need if they sleep during the day such as a blanket, dummy, cuddly toy, etc.

#### Our contact details are as follows:

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Please could we request that children bring a pair of clearly named slippers to nursery which can be left on site for them to wear whilst indoors. Ideally these would be Velcro fastened ones which are secure to their feet. This is to keep the carpet play areas free from outside dirt and to maximise their comfort during their session.

Please can we ask that each child creates an A4 sized page to go into our All About Me folder which will be located in the book corner. These should include a photo of your child and some photos of their family members, pets or anybody who is important to them. Please label each photo on the page telling us who it is, this will help us to talk about these special people with your child. This can be double sided if you so wish. Thank you if you have already done this, it provides a great resource and enables us to interact with your child more effectively about the special people in their lives.

Flexi-time - This has been made available to parents/carers who wish to extend their children's sessions with the option of adding an extra hour or two to their existing sessions without having to commit to a full extra session. For example, extending a morning session, normally 9am-1pm, to 9am-3pm instead or starting an afternoon session earlier at say 11am. The choice is yours!

## **Diary Dates:**

- \* Monday 24th February 2020 from 6pm Parent's evening
- \* Nursery will be closed on the following dates:
- \* Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April (Good Friday)
- \* Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April (Easter Monday)
- \* Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May (Bank holiday)
- \* Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May (Bank holiday)

#### Polite Reminder...

- \* Fees are due by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month in full. After this date a late payment charge will be applied.
- \* No sweets or fizzy drinks to be brought to nursery.
- \* Please name your child's lunchbox, drinks bottle, coat, hat, etc.
- \* Please check lost property for any missing belongings. These items will be stored by us for 28 days.
- \* Please bring a drink bottle each session and place it in the red carriers.
- \* Advise us of any changes to your contact details.
- \* If your child will be off sick then please let us know as soon as possible as we have to record all absences.

Thank you for your continued support. Any queries/concerns then please do not hesitate to talk to us. Equally, any ideas or suggestions you may have to improve or enhance the setting then let us know. We value your feedback.

Charlotte and the Charlotte's Web Pre-School Nursery team.