



Nursery Newsletter Autumn 2020

Welcome......, ఉల్లీ, chao, merhaba, Olá, ¡hola, Pozdravi, Hej, καλως HPΘATE, Bonjour, ागत है, croeso, herzlich willkommen, i mirëpritur, Sveiki!

A warm welcome to all families and children that have returned to Nursery after lockdown and have re-joined us during the Autumn term. We have been surprised and happy to see how quickly the children have settled back into nursery life and are enjoying being with their friends and nursery staff.

We also extend a big welcome to all our new nursery children who started with us this term. We hope they are enjoying their time at nursery and are feeling happy and settled.

Please take a look at our Nursery Webpage on:

www.ccn.ac.uk/nursery-city-college-norwich

You can access our Policies and Procedures online along with newsletters, menus and lots of other useful nursery information.

Thank you





<u>Tapestry</u> - Most of you will now be familiar with our children's on-line learning journal, Tapestry. Tapestry enables you to follow your child's individual progress closely and reflect upon achievements with your child.

You can add comments so that we, as a nursery, find out about which activities your child really enjoyed and the learning they get up to at home. It is lovely to read your comments and observations and we welcome this collaboration throughout your child's time at nursery. We enjoy reading about your special events and celebrations and documentation of these special events can be entered by you onto Tapestry and will make a lovely reminder of special times for the children and for you. Your family events and celebrations are important to us here at the nursery.

We are now documenting your child's care while at nursery onto Tapestry to avoid unnecessary paperwork being sent home. To limit contact at the nursery reception area when collecting your child, please use Tapestry to let us know any important information about your child's care. Your child's key person will check this daily.

At the end of your child's time at nursery your child's Nursery learning journey will be Pdf'd and then sent to you by email for you to keep (or print it out if you would like to)

Forest School



Forest School is a long term, child-led, continuous learning process that takes place over a period of time using a natural space (not necessarily a forest!). It originates from Scandinavian educational approaches, the ethos focusing on approaches that maximise the emotional, social and developmental benefits of education. Practitioners use learning and teaching strategies which raise self-esteem, develop confidence, independence, and language and communication skills.

To keep children in their bubbles, Nikki will be running forest school on Friday mornings this term for the **Woodland room** children. We will look to change to the other rooms next term.

Please can you ensure that your child is provided with suitable clothing. The Nursery will provide your child with waterproof dungarees and a light weight waterproof, but we ask that you provide the following:

Cold weather:

Waterproof gloves, hats, scarves Waterproof coat Thin and thick socks to wear with wellies

A complete change of clothing.



Nursery Daily Mile!

Every morning before snack we take the Farmyard and then the Woodland children out onto the field opposite the nursery to run!

Research has shown that moving more increases confidence, mood, health, opportunities, quality of sleep, improved behaviour...break up periods of inactivity, whether a child or an adult...MOVE MORE!

Active children are healthy, happy, school ready and sleep better



October is Black History Month - Norfolk Got Soul!!



Soul music, along with Rock and Roll, Rhythm and Blues all arrived in Britain with the USA Air Force. Black Culture inspired Britain to become the world's centre of Rock Music. Norfolk was the first place to get it!

This month we will be celebrating Black History Month at nursery and will be dancing along to some soul tunes!

Birthday Cakes - Because of the risk to children with allergies we are not able to serve cakes brought in from home. If you would like us to celebrate your child's birthday at nursery with a cake please speak to your key person. These can be ordered (freshly baked at nursery) for £3.50. Please give two weeks notice to order cakes.



Nursery Security – To comply with Covid restrictions we are greeting children and parents at the door to the nursery reception area. To avoid problems with social distancing we are asking parents/carers to stay outside the nursery building. A staff member will collect the child and take them into their allocated rooms. The rooms are staying separate all day so that the children and staff are in a bubble to avoid any cross contamination.

We have hand gel at nursery reception areas and in all rooms. Children are being encouraged to wash hands with soap and water on entering the room and this is repeated several times during the day.

Nursery nurses are cleaning toys, equipment and furniture in the rooms hourly.

<u>Childcare During Vacations</u> – If you are a college member of staff you will need to complete a booking form to request sessions. If you are a community user we will expect your child to attend their normal sessions during holiday periods. To effectively staff the nursery, and adhere to Ofsted ratios, it is appreciated if you let us know in advance if they will not be attending

<u>Just one reminder....All weather Coats and Wellingtons</u> - As it is important that the children can be taken outside in all weathers, we would be grateful if you could provide waterproof outdoor clothes and wellingtons, hats and gloves, and a spare set of clothes for nursery. Please can we ask that all clothes, boots, lunch boxes are clearly labelled. We have over 80 children registered at nursery and this would help prevent things getting muddled up and lost.



City College Term Dates

Half Term: Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October 2020

Term ends: Friday 18th December 2020

Spring Term

Term starts: Monday 4th January 2021

Half term: Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February 2021

Term ends: Friday 26th March 2021