

Happy new year from Smart Start Childcare! In 2020 you will see a lot of changes 😊

Term dates:

Term starts: Monday 6th January 2020

Half term: 17th February – 21st February

Term finishes: Friday 3rd April

We are open during half term if you would like to book your child into the holiday club please let us know ASAP



As we start the new year, we're exploring our character Fay 5 a day!

With each age group and abilities, we will be providing active activities for children such as preparing fruit, helping to serve our snacks, choosing healthy options and involving children in our daily task such as disposing of the fruit scraps and cleaning our bowls and plates afterwards.

Themes of learning:

Our planning and themes for learning change every week so please feel free to ask any staff what the planning for that week is focussed around. You will be given feedback about the daily activities your child has been involved in and you will also see photos of this on tapestry.

Themes will include: Transport, Seasons, All about me, People who help us, animals and many more Please ask the staff if you have any questions about the weeks learning.

Reminder:

- £2 per meal (snack and milk/ water are provided throughout the day free of charge) all food is freshly prepared and cooked on site by our chef.
- **Breakfast is served until 9am. Children arriving after will have snack**
- See board near dining room for more information on daily meals.
- **Can parents please bring in their child's wipes, nappies and a change of clothes ensure that all of these items are labelled with the child's name.**
- Please bring your children in appropriate clothing for messy play.
- Please can all items of clothing be labelled with children's names.
- Please can children be encouraged to not bring their toys into nursery. We cannot be held responsible for any missing and damaged toys.
- **If your child comes to nursery with an injury can parents please complete an injury form**
- Can parents please notify nursery when your child is going to be absent.

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Other services we offer:

- **Holiday club** - £20 from 8:30am to 6:30pm.
- **Stay and play** – £2.50 every Thursday 10am – 11am.
- **After school club** - £10 per session 3.30pm – 7.00pm.

Upcoming events:

- **Chinese New Year – Year of the Rat**
Nursery will be celebrating on 24th January doing various craft activities, and learning about the Chinese culture.
This is a nursery only event
- **Parents evening 10th – 14th Feb**
Parents please arrange a time with your child's key person to discuss their progress and development
- **St Valentine's Day 14th February**
Children will be making hearts, cards and decorating biscuits. Parents are welcome to join us from 2:00pm till 3:00pm
- **Shrove Tuesday 25th February**
The children will have the opportunity to make pancakes and flip pancakes.
This is a nursery only event
- **Mother's Day 20th March**
Mother's, grandmother's, aunts are invited to our Mother's Day craft afternoon and afternoon tea at 1:30pm

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Tapestry:

Parents please remember to check your children's tapestry to track their progress.



You can also upload photos from home to show us what they have been up to. This will also help us to focus your child's play more around their everyday interests.

Parent representative

We are looking for a parent representative to help us to:

- organise events
- be the parents voice

Please speak to management if you are interested

New staff:

As you may notice, we have had some new members of staff and are continuing to grow our smart start team. We will be sending out profiles of your children's key workers.

Please feel free to familiarise yourself.