



Newsletter September 2017



Our Mission

The vision of our nursery is to provide safe, stimulating and culturally enriched care for children to enable them to learn, develop socially, physically, intellectually, creatively and emotionally through structured play activities supporting the Early Years Foundation Stage.



Welcome to Nursery.

Welcome to all our new families and our returning families. We hope you have had a lovely and relaxing summer holidays and the children have enjoyed their first week in Nursery and Pre School.

Welcome to our new key Persons for the Purple Group, Mr Smith and Miss Emily who are already known to the children in other roles but are now Purple Group Key Persons.

Welcome to Mrs Barron-Exhall who is our new Play Co-ordinator and Nursery Assistant.

Start and End of Nursery Day Drive safely

Could all car users please drive carefully outside of nursery and school. Can we also be considerate to our local neighbours. Your assistance would be much appreciated.

Dates for your diary

- 22nd September: Jean for Genes day.
- 28th September; 1.30pm Come in and Bake with the children.
- 29th September: 8am or 9am MacMillan Coffee morning
- 10th October: 6pm Welcome meeting for all parents.
- 12th October: 11.15am Grandparents lunch
- 18th & 19th October Parent consultation meetings
- 20th October Nursery is open! Play day for Holy Cross School children available.
- 20th October: Break up for half term
- 23rd October - 27th October Activfest Holiday club running.
- 30th October Return to Nursery.



Easy fund raising whilst shopping

We are using easyfundraising.org.uk to help raise money for nursery to buy exciting resources and equipment. If you search on Google for easyfundraising.org.uk, click on support a good cause and search Holy Cross Nursery Sutton Coldfield. If you use easy funding when shopping then they will send us a donation for Nursery.





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Donations

If anyone has any dressing up suitable for the 2 - 3 year age range then please let us know we would be extremely grateful



Our website

We have our own website which has important information on regarding all aspects of the setting. Can we please encourage you to visit the website at least weekly for updates on what is happening in nursery. <http://holycross-preschool.com>



Welcome meeting and Holy Cross Parent Support Group (PSG)

We have a parent support group which raises much needed funds for the setting and provides fun activities for the families and children of our Nursery and Kids Club. All families are welcome and encouraged to join in and support us.

We are holding a welcome and introductory meeting on **Tuesday 10th October at 6pm.**

This meeting will

- Introduce you to the existing members of the PSG.
- Explain all about our fundraising
- Discuss how you can be involved
- Ask for your views on how we can enhance your child's experience with us
- We will be introducing you to all that the setting can offer you
- Signpost you to additional valuable child related services in the local area.



Nursery are supporting this wonderful cause. Can we ask that all children wear jeans with their nursery tops on Friday 22nd September and donate £1.00 to the charity. Further information can be found at <http://www.jeansforgenesday.org>



Macmillan Coffee morning

Come along at either 8am or 9am to join in and raise funds for our annual Macmillan Coffee morning

On Friday 29th September.

<https://www.macmillan.org.uk>

to support the coffee morning we are inviting all parents to come into nursery on Thursday afternoon at 1.30pm to help the children bake cakes! Please come along if you can or send a relative in with your child! Please look out for the individual letter regarding this event for more information.





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Polite Reminder

All Childcare invoices are issued the first few days of every term; there is a 2 week payment period in which these bills need to be settled in full. Should these bills not be settled your childcare place could be in jeopardy and you may incur additional costs as per our terms and conditions. If you have extenuating circumstances please discuss these with Ms Gordon who will need to take the case to the Directors. If you do not receive your bill either via email or paper copy by the 3rd working day into term please call the office to inform them.

Thank You



Birth Certificates and Funding codes/forms

Please can you ensure that you have supplied nursery with a copy of your child's birth certificate and completed the relevant funding forms with codes required for 30hours and 2 year old places.

Uniform



All children should now be in full nursery uniform. This is available from Mapac ONLY.

<http://www.mapac.com>

We do have a limited supply of preloved uniform at £1.00 per item or some new uniform at same cost as MAPAC.

Additional Uniform items

All children should have on site at all times:

PE pumps in uniformed PE BAG (NAMED CLEARLY)

Wellington boots (NAMED CLEARLY)

Please remember if your child requires a new pair of shoes through growth that these will also need replacing.



Safeguarding in Nursery

Please can we remind you not to allow other parents/visitors through the gate. For safeguarding reasons we need to be aware of who is entering nursery.

If you are not sure of who is coming with you please stop them from entering.

Thank you for co-operation with this serious matter



Reporting Absences

If your child is absent please could you notify us so that we can record these. This is to support our safe guarding policy, good practice and also a requirement of funding. Likewise if you are planning a holiday or time away for nursery could you please put it in writing.

Thank you for your support.



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