



Newsletter Spring 2020



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



Dear Parents and Carers



New build

We are so excited to be in our new home; we hope the children have been telling you all about it. When dropping your child into Kids Club, we will have a member of staff on the gate from 7.50am – 8.30am and 3.30pm – 5pm. If you arrive outside of these times, please ring the intercom and we will let you in. We must express how important it is that families DO NOT hold the gate open for others. We understand this is an automatic thing to do although you could be granting access to somebody unknown and becomes a safeguarding concern. Additionally, it is vital that you do not allow your child to push the exit button as this is effectively teaching them how to get offsite.

Nugget or Tortoise

We also have a new addition to our nursery team, “Nugget” the tortoise! The children are very excited to be caring for him and are enjoying learning all about what food he eats and what he needs to be kept safe, healthy and clean.

Uniform



Can we ask that families ensure that their child wears full uniform to nursery every day, this includes school bags and jumpers/ cardigans; all uniform needs to have Nursery logo on . We also ask that you put your child’s name in each item of uniform, this makes the items easier to identify if they are mislaid at nursery. If you do not have the correct uniform, please ask a member of staff who will be happy to help.



Contact details

We would like to ask that parents/ carers check that all contact information is up to date. If you have recently moved to a new address or changed your phone number, please let the office know as soon as possible. This ensures the safety of your child should we need to contact you in case of an emergency.



Weather Warning

With the winter months upon us, we would like to remind you of our closure policy under inclement weather. If Holy Cross Primary School announces closure due to inclement weather, Holy Cross Pre School will automatically close too. If you are unsure check our website but also look on the Birmingham City council website for school closures to check the status of Holy Cross Primary School. We will also post on our Facebook page and our website.

Parent Support Group

The next PSG meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22nd January 9.30am**. We will be planning new events for spring term. Our Parent Support group have been fantastic already this year, raising over £600 at the Christmas Fayre! The children have enjoyed all these events especially the Dinky Disco. We hope to continue to welcome new members to strengthen our support group.





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Asia Topic

This half term we are learning about the continent of Asia, each week we will be looking at different countries including Thailand, India, Japan and China. We will be encouraging the children to try new tastes; our food menus will be based around traditional Asian cuisine. We have lots planned to enable our children to explore various religions such as Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity and the different cultures in Asia. We have also organized for parents to come in and show the children some traditional cuisine and how to make it.

Parent Workshop

We will be hosting our very first parent workshop in our new nursery on **Friday 31st January 9am**. The workshop will be based around our current topic of "Asia". Letters will be sent out shortly, so please look out for this and please return your slips accepting or declining your place on the workshop.

Date	Time	Event
22.01.2020	9.30am	PSG meeting
31.01.2020	9am	Parent workshop
14.02.2020	3.15pm	Nursery closes for half term
24.02.2020	9am	Nursery reopens for Spring term 2
07.03.2020	All Day	St Patrick's Day
18.03.2020	TBC	Mother Day Afternoon Tea
02.04.2020 & 03.04.2020	Throughout day	Parents Consultations
09.04.2020	3.15pm	Nursery closes for the end of term
27.04.2020	9am	Nursery reopens for Summer term 1
22.05.2020	3.15pm	Nursery closes for half term
01.06.2020	9am	Nursery reopens for Summer term 2
20.07.2020	3.15am	Nursery closes for the Summer holidays

Whilst we try our utmost to not change events, occasionally changes are unavoidable and out of our control, in addition events/opportunities also pop up and we will always make the most out of these. We will always try to give parents as much notice as possible of any changes. Therefore, please check our website, Facebook page, notice boards and texts for any updates or amendments.



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