

Smartstarts Newsletter



November 2021

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2021

- Last day for funded children is on the 17th December 2021.
- Funded children will return to Nursery on the 5th January 2022.
- Nursery will close at 4pm on the 24th December 2021.
- Nursery will be closed from the 25th December 2021 and will reopen for all the children on the 5th January 2022.
- Christmas concert - This will be held on Wednesday 15TH December 2021 in the morning at 10am.

Parents will be allowed to come and see the concert with social distancing measures in place. More details will follow.

Reminder to Parents:

Please can you ring/email

(02084782700)/info@smartstarts.co.uk us if your child is sick or will not be attending Nursery for any reason.

Clothing



Please ensure your child has a warm coat (labelled) and appropriate clothing for the winter. The children will continue go outside for shorter periods of time as recommended in the early years curriculum. (EYFS)

New EYFS (Early Years Foundation stage Curriculum)

Please see attached letter regarding the changes that have been made to the EYFS from September 2021. The nursery will make changes to ensure that we comply with the statutory framework and legal requirements accordingly.

Reception/Primary school place for September 2022

Applying for a primary school place

You must apply for a primary school place a year before school. Applications open in September and close on 15th January 2022. Your child will be 3 or have just turned 4 when you apply. You'll need to apply then even if you want your child to start part-way through the year. Please ask management if you need support with the application.

Funding 30 hour Applications

If you are looking for a place in **January 2022** term you must have made a successful application before **31st December 2021** at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk, where you can also apply for Tax Free Childcare. Parents who already have 30hrs will need to recheck their eligibility when asked by HMRC's deadline. **Please inform the Nursery once it has been done as soon as possible.** Nursery will request Parent's D.O.B. and surname to validate the entitlement. Please ask management should you need any support.

Children in need day



On Friday the 19th November 2021 the children may come to nursery in their onesies or pyjamas for a small donation for this good cause.



- **Christmas jumper day will be on the 10th December 2021**
- **Christmas lunch will be on the 9th December 2021**
- More details will follow