



Welcome Back!

We hope that you have had a good and relaxing break.

Encouraging Independence

At Nursery we encourage independence as this helps children prepare for transition to school, so please be patient with them at home as they practice skills such as putting on shoes and clothing.

Nursery Committee

If you think you might be interested in joining Horspath Nursery committee please speak to me for more information.

Please also remember that committee meeting minutes are available for you to read, just ask a member of staff.

The Nursery's process when we are informed of a potential Covid-19 concern:

1. Parents/staff members to inform the setting as soon as is reasonably possible.
2. The child or adult showing symptoms will be asked to self-isolate for 10 days or until the test result arrives.
3. If the test result is negative the child or adult can return to the setting.
4. If the test result comes back positive the Nursery may need to close and all children and staff will be asked to self-isolate for 10 days. The Nursery will be intensively cleaned during this time.
5. If you have been in contact with somebody who has covid, you will need to self-isolate for 10 days. Please rest assured that we are trying our best to make sure that you and your family are kept safe during this troubling time.

June 2021

Important Information

Just a few reminders about the way we are trying to keep as safe as possible during the current pandemic.

Parents will be asked to stand back from the black gate by the Nursery building on drop off and collection and you will be greeted by a member of staff to receive your children from the gate. **If there are no adults when you arrive to collect your child, please ring the Nursery Number 01865 876750 and a member of staff will greet you.** Please make sure that they have all their belongings with them on arrival. They will be asked to take their belongings into the cloakroom and to wash and sanitise their hands. (Children will not be able to access all toys due to the stringent cleaning procedures in place during this time.)

Please make sure that YOU keep to the 2m social distancing rules recommended by the government and that you wear a face mask on the school site.

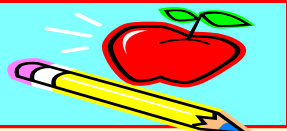
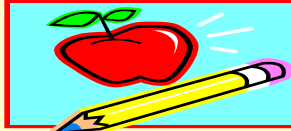
Please do not bring your child to the setting if you think that they could be unwell. If they need medication such as calpol, they need to stay at home. This also applies to any other family member.

If we think that your child is unwell, we will telephone you to collect them.

By sending your child/children to the setting, you are agreeing to the above terms.

With restrictions lifting this isn't the time to become complacent, please make sure that you follow current Government Restrictions.

Signs & Symptoms - High temperature, persistent cough, changes to taste.



Reminders to Parents

- **Parking – As you may be aware the police oversaw the parking at the end of the school day and were concerned about how parents park and obstruct others. Please could you make sure that you park safely at drop off and collection. Feedback from them was that children were running in the road and that they were worried about parents and children's safety.**
- Children aren't allowed on the adventure play ground before or after school hours and should not be used by Nursery children.
- Please could you leave the school play area as quickly as possible at the end of the school day to enable us to start our clubs more efficiently.
- Please also ensure that the Nursery gates are kept bolted behind you. Horspath School have requested that the Nursery gate remain locked for as long as possible so please bear with us when we appear to be running late! The school have also requested that the gate is locked before 9:10am in the morning so if you arrive later than this, you will need to phone the Nursery for entry.
- **We understand that people's circumstances can change so please inform me of any changes to your personal information.**
- Please could I ask that your child does not bring any toys from home to Nursery as this causes conflict between the children and the toys could get lost or broken.
- Please visit our facebook page. Did you know that you can also put reviews on it? It would be lovely to let us know your thoughts on how things are going.!

Books / Group Activities

- Horspath Nursery Library is still running so if you would like your child to take part, please return their current book and then they will be able to choose a new one.
- Reading books for children transitioning to school in September is still taking place so please remember to return books for a Monday.
- Small group activities such as speech and language, yoga, monkey music and sign language are continuing during the Nursery Day.

Funding

Due to the National Minimum Wage Increase, from September Nursery fees will be increased to £6.00 for 2 year old's and £5.00 for 3 year old's per hour.

Please do not forget to reconfirm your code for 30-hour government funding. To qualify for 30-hour funding, parents need to register with the HMRC for a code and re-confirm the code every 3 months. If this code is not re-confirmed every three months, parents will be expected to pay the full Nursery fee for the full term ahead. The code must be acquired before the full term starts, for example by 31st December, for January start, 31st March for April start and 31st August for September start. This will be offered on a first come first served basis.

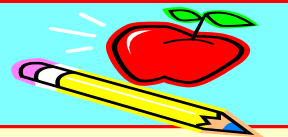
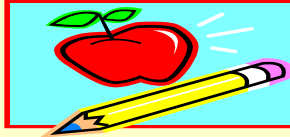
Topics for Term 6

People who help us	Father's Day
Role-Play	Sand
Water	Summer Holiday Fun

Diary Dates

Wed 7 July 21 am	Sports Day - Trainers
Thurs 8 July 21 am	Sports Day - Trainers
Fri 9 July 21 pm	Sports Day - Trainers
Thurs 15 July 21	Summer Party – party Food for lunch please
Fri 16 July 21	Bouncy Castle for Nursery Leavers
Tues 20 July 21	Summer Party – party food for lunch please
Thurs 22 July 21	Inset Day
23 July-31 st Aug 21	Summer Holiday
Wed 1 Sept 21	Inset Day
Thurs 2 Sept 21	Term 1 Begins

Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents to sports day due to covid but we will take lots of photos and put them on the Class Dojo.



Kit List for Nursery

We ask that parents bring in 2 snacks labelled with their name, these can be fresh fruit/veg or other healthy snacks such as bread sticks, yogurts, cheesy crackers, dried fruit and cheese. They should be for your child only and left in their bag/lunchbox. We ask that no sweets or chocolate bars are put in children's lunchboxes and that grapes and cherry tomatoes are cut in half.

For birthday treats, if you would like to bring in cakes or biscuits, that would be great, but **PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE A NO NUT POLICY** and that they are shop bought and packaged individually.

Please could your child arrive with a sun hat and sun cream already applied and more sun cream in their bag for reapplication.

Please provide your child with a swimming costume and towel as we will be using the paddling pool and sprinklers this term.

Please could all clothing be named to ensure that they are returned to the correct child.

Please also remember to bring in at least 2 changes of clothes and nappies/wipes if needed and if your child is wearing Nursery clothes, please wash and return them as soon as possible.

Nursery Communication

Check out our facebook page for photos and updates.

Nursery Journals are in the cloakroom for your child, we will put information in them from time to time and please feel free to ask to see it and add anything if you would like to.

We also keep you up to date on Class Dojo.

If you would like to speak to any member of staff, please do not hesitate to approach us or phone / email to make an appointment.

Your children have pegs and trays which we regularly empty into your child's bag.

Please check this link to learn more about how to make sure that your children have good oral health:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dwflld6hqk>

Watch this space for Parents Evening!!

Nursery Contacts

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Fundraising Events

Summer Raffle – please donate prizes and buy raffle tickets. (These will be given to your child.)

We are raising funds for maths resources.

Raffle tickets will cost £1 per strip and winners will be drawn on Friday 16th July 2021.

Please could you collect and drop off empty, clean tin cans at the Nursery for a fundraising project that a parent is doing.

A massive thank you to Luca's family for donating and replacing the pond liner in the wildlife area, to Amelie's Dad for donating paving slabs to surround the pond and also to Arya's family for filling our pond with water.

Don't forget that Nursery t-shirts, sweatshirts, drink bottles, drawstring bags and book bags are available to purchase. T-shirts are £5, jumpers are £10, drawstring bags are £4, book bags are £6.50 and bottles are £4.

Please preview Horspath Nursery's Amazon wish list at

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3KHCQFG9IYRLO?ref=wl_share

Another good fundraising opportunity is by signing up to easy fundraising at the following link:

<http://easyfundraising.org.uk/>. This is a quick and easy way to raise money for the Nursery, all you need to do is register then remember to click to donate when purchasing anything online.

School Visits

Children leaving Nursery and going to school in September usually have visits to school, in light of the pandemic this may not happen, but we have invited the school teachers to visit us regularly to get to know your children. This should be happening at least twice per week.