



Newsletter



January 2020

'Children at Oasis are learners for life'

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the new term. We hope you all enjoyed your Christmas break!

Parent Consultation Evening

We will be holding parent consultations on Thursday 6th February from 1.30pm to give you the opportunity to talk to your child's key person and to discuss their progress. Please speak to your child's key person to book an appointment.

Australia Day

Monday 27.01.20 is Australia Day. To celebrate we will be learning about Australian animals and landmarks and reading Australian stories with the children.

Chinese New Year

Saturday 25.01.20 is Chinese New Year and this year is the year of the Rat. To celebrate, on Friday 24.01.20 we will be decorating Rat masks with the children and exploring Chinese symbols and numbers. For snack the children will be given the opportunity to try noodles and stir fry vegetables.

Half Term/Funded Sessions/School Lunches

The last funded day before half term is Friday 14.02.20. Funded sessions resume on Monday 24.02.20.

Marazion Oasis will be closed for the school holidays from Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February. As previously stated, your child is guaranteed a space at Ludgvan Oasis. Please speak to Briony if you require a space.

Hot lunches will not be available from Monday 17.02.20 to Friday 21.02.20 inclusive.

Signing Your Child In and Out

Could we please remind all parents to ensure that they sign their child(ren) in and out of the setting. This is done at the signing in and out station next to the main door to the learning rooms. Thank you for your continued support.

Makaton

The new 'signs of the week' we will be learning this half-term are as follows:

- Week commencing 06.01.20: Orange
- Week commencing 13.01.20: Banana
- Week commencing 20.01.20: Tomato
- Week commencing 27.01.20: Pear
- Week commencing 03.02.20: Apple
- Week commencing 10.02.20: Grapes

Our Makaton song this month will be: **Wheels on the Bus**

Maths Song of the Month

The 'Maths Song of the Month' is: **A Tall Silver Rocket**

Please speak to a member of staff if you would like a copy of the math song to take home. It will also be displayed on the parents' noticeboard in the reception.

Collecting Your Child at 12 noon

If you are collecting your child at 12 noon, could we please ask that you are in the reception area ready to collect your child on time. Hot lunches are served at 12pm and all available staff are needed to support the children who are staying for lunch. It can also be upsetting for your child if they have to wait while the other children are eating their lunch.

Wanted

If you have any old wooden or wicker shelves or units that are in good condition we would love to have them to create a mud kitchen area outside. Also, if you have any old pallets, logs or guttering that are in good condition we would love to have them to create a bug area for the children to explore.

Oasis Books

Could we please ask you to return any books that your child may have borrowed from the setting. Thank you.

Nursery Rhyme Time

Starting from Wednesday 15.01.20, we will be holding nursery rhyme time in the toddler and pre-school room every Wednesday from 11.15am-11.55am during the term time. Toddler and pre-school parents/carers can come into the setting and join in with nursery rhymes and stories with the children. Please speak to Briony if you wish to join the session.

If you have a child in the toddler and pre-school room who does not attend on a Wednesday, you are welcome to come along with your child to join in with the session.

Pre-School Parent/Grandparent Duty Rota

If you have a child or grandchild in the Pre-School and would like to be more involved at the setting, then please speak to Briony. We could accommodate one parent/grandparent per morning and would organise it on a rota basis. You would be supported by the Pre-School staff and would have the opportunity to help with cooking activities, read a story to the children or join in with our favourite nursery rhymes. All regular volunteers will require a DBS and suitable references.

Online Safety

Technology is becoming such a big part of everyone's lives and children and young people spend a lot of time online. Although it is a great way of socialising and exploring new facts, the internet does pose many potential risks to children and young people. Therefore, it is important that we are talking to young children and helping them to understand how to stay safe online.

We have compiled an E-Safety Guidance for Staff and Parents, which can be taken home to read at your leisure. The guidance compiles many useful documents to help parents learn about what children are doing online and how they can make online experiences positive and safe for their children.

The guidance is available from the office and can be borrowed for up to two weeks at a time. Please speak to a member of staff if you would like any further information.

Designated Safeguarding Team

As part of our safeguarding procedures we have a Designated Safeguarding Lead who is **Lorna Trudgeon**, and two Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads who are **Juliette George** and **Briony Sedgeman**.

Mark Fletcher is currently the Designated Safeguarding Lead on the Management Committee.

More information is available in our policies and procedures, which are displayed in the reception area. We also have spare copies for parents to borrow and read at their convenience.

Diary Dates

Parent Consultation Evening

Thursday 06.02.20 from 4pm

Funded Sessions/Half Term

Last funded session Friday 14.02.20

Start again Monday 24.02.20

Thank you for your continued support.

Lorna Trudgeon, Senior Centre Manager