



Newsletter



'Children at Oasis are learners for life'

Autumn Term 2020

Welcome Back!

We would like to say a huge thank you to you all for your support in ensuring all your children returned so positively to nursery. It has been really lovely welcoming the children back after such a long time and we are looking forward to the new academic year ahead.

Opportunities that your child will experience on a daily basis

Planned activities, such as key person circle time, physical focus, story time and personalised planning, provide babies and children with opportunities to develop a range of secure and positive relationships.

- **Talk Time - Daily at 9.30am:** All key persons plan daily talk time activities to support the development of their key children with a focus on communication and language development. These small circle times provide opportunities for your child to actively communicate, listen to others, respond to each other's thoughts and ideas and work in small groups. This enables your child to grow in confidence, develop their self-esteem and become more independent in a range of situations.
- **Physical Focus:** Babies and children learn by being active and physical development takes place across all areas of learning and development. Physical activities enable your child to feel the positive benefits of being healthy and active and help them to develop a positive sense of well-being. We plan a daily physical focus and encourage physical play in all aspects of learning.
- **Personalised Planning:** Your child's key person plans daily next steps for your child, tailored to meet his/her individual needs, cultural background and interests. Key persons make observations of these activities which then help them to plan future next steps for your child's learning, development and interests.

- **Café Snack/Lunch:** Café snack encourages your child to make their own healthy choices about what they would like to eat and drink. Café snack and lunch times encourage children and adults to actively communicate, listen and respond to each other's ideas.
- **Free-Flow:** The inside and outside environments are separated into the 7 areas of learning. This helps your child's key person to plan a wide range of activities to help your child progress towards the early learning goals. There is a balance of communication friendly spaces both inside and outside which provide many learning opportunities for the children. We are not only taking the 'learning environment' outdoors but bringing the outdoors in to the 'learning environment' using natural objects.
- **Free-Play:** Your child has access to all the resources in their room so if there is something specific, they would like they are free to make their own choices.

Oasis/British Values

We are working with the staff and children to promote positive Oasis/British Values. Each day at circle time the staff and children will reflect together about wanted and unwanted behaviour and how that makes the children and staff feel. Each week a child will be presented with an award for demonstrating positive behaviour and promoting the Oasis/British Values. This award will be promoted throughout the week and will be shared with parents on collection.

Oasis British Values Star of the Week

- Archie Glover - For showing kindness and taking turns on the bikes.
- Kyron Paul - Helping others put on their coat.
- Isla Dunn - For being very helpful and supporting the younger children with hand washing.
- Mason Summers - For always showing good manners and saying 'Please' and 'Thank you'.

Maths Song of the Month

The 'Maths Song of the Month'

September: - **Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer**

October: **Two Little Dickie Birds**

Please email the Office if you would like a copy of the math song emailed to you.

Makaton

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

Baby Room

- Week Commencing 07.09.20: hello
- Week Commencing 16.09.20: goodbye
- Week Commencing 21.09.20: drink
- Week Commencing 28.09.20: snack
- Week Commencing 05.10.20: nappy
- Week Commencing 12.10.20: please
- Week Commencing 19.10.20: thank you

Toddlers and Pre-School

- Week Commencing 07.09.20: snack
- Week Commencing 16.09.20: more
- Week Commencing 21.09.20: help
- Week Commencing 28.09.20: outside
- Week Commencing 05.10.20: play
- Week Commencing 12.10.20: sing
- Week Commencing 19.10.20: toilet and nappy

Our Makaton song this month will be: **If you're happy and you know it.**

Parents' Policy Board

This month the staff have reviewed the Child Protection Policy and Setting Covid-19 Risk Assessment and Operational Plan. If you would like to receive an emailed copy of these policies, please email or telephone the Office. Alternatively, you can access these on our website. Your feedback would be gratefully appreciated.

Wanted

If you are having a pre-Christmas tidy at home and have any of the following items that are in good condition we would love to have them to assist the children with developing their role play and problem solving skills:

Pots and pans, tubes, funnels, barrels, guttering, planks of wood, small screwdrivers and hammers, spoons, cooking utensils, baskets, plastic cups and plates, tents, tarpaulin, buckets, jugs, sieves, tape measures, pegs, blankets, sheets, duvet covers, watering cans, mallets, material, bowls, paint brushes (big or small), paint rollers and sponges. Anything you can spare would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

Covid-19

Please visit our website for any further relevant updates with regards to Covid-19 safety measures and guidance. Alternatively, please do not hesitate to telephone or email the office to speak to Briony, if you would like to discuss any concerns.

Onsite Forest School sessions

Working in partnership with Marazion School we have developed an onsite forest school area. This will enable us to continue to provide forest school opportunities in-line with COVID-19 safety measures. The Pre-school and Toddler room children will all be given the opportunity to attend forest school sessions onsite in their class groups. These sessions will be led by our Oasis Forest School Leader Briony Sedgeman and supported by Jo Cooper from Heart of the Woods based in Cubit Woods in Carbis Bay. All activities will link to the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Framework, with a focus on nature-based learning, developing life skills, making choices and child-led play and exploration. Children will be given endless opportunities to participate in real-life experiences and enjoy the benefits of outdoor learning, which will provide inspirational learning opportunities and memories. These learning experiences will also be linked to the Oasis onsite growing project and our environmentally friendly approach.

Designated Safeguarding Team

As part of our safeguarding procedures we have a Designated Safeguarding Lead who is **Lorna Trudgeon**, a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead who is **Juliette George** and an Assistant Designated Safeguarding Lead who is **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.

We have compiled a Safeguarding Guidance, entitled 'Keeping Your Child Safe', to help staff and parents learn about simple conversations to keep children safe from abuse. The guidance is available from the office and can be taken home to read at your leisure.

Diary Dates

Funded Sessions/Half Term

Last funded session Friday 23.10.20. Start again Monday 02.11.20

Thank you for your continued support.

Lorna Trudgeon