# ST ANDREWS NURSERY NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2019

A warm welcome to all new children and their families! And of course, a very warm welcome back to children who have been on summer break ©

We are all ready for another exciting academic year at St Andrews Nursery, and hope you all enjoy the lengthy list of exciting dates coming up. This is our termly newsletter, which we hope you will find useful. We will always have reminders on the front of our nursery door to remind you of events taking place that week.

# Below is a list of dates for the Autumn Term for your diaries:

September 2019	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Collection
October 2019	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	4pm - Parents Forum
	Discussion Points – Settling In Feedback, How we keep your
	Child safe in our nursery, Applying for Schools
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-School Open Day – Jannine
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-School Open Day - Nikolett
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Diwali Celebration Party – Children wear own clothes
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term Week
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Closed – Training Day
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-school Father's Morning Workshop – 9am-10am
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Busy Bees/Little Hoppers Fathers Morning – 9am-10am
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Halloween Celebrations – Children may dress up in costumes
November 2019	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Busy Bee Open Day – Dipal
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Individual Nursery Photographs – Full Uniform to be worn
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Busy Bee Open Day – Joanna
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Busy Bee Open Day – Sarah
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Busy Bee Open Day – April
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Children In Need – Pyjama Day - £1 Donation
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mothers Morning Workshop – 9am – 10am – Pre-school
December 2019	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers Morning – 9am – 10am – Busy Bees/Little Hoppers
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Christmas Party – All Children attend morning session
	9am- 12pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day for all Children - Nursery closes at 12pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Closed – Training Day
January 2020	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to commence Spring Term 2020 ☺

#### **Harvest Festival**

We ask of a small contribution of one tin per child to add to our Harvest Collection which takes place every year at St Andrews Church. The Pre-school Children will be making their way over to deliver your donations on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 11am.

### **Parents Forum**

We ask that these forums are attended as much as possible by all parents. We appreciate you are busy, however there is always lots of important information for you to collect in these forums. Unfortunately we do not have crèche facilities so please ensure alternative arrangements are made.

## **Open Days**

Please look out for your Child's key person's name and book in your feedback session quickly. We allocate these sessions on a first come first serve basis. It is so important you keep up to date with your child's progress and in partnership we can plan our next steps. Please note these feedback sessions will only be 15 minute slots.

#### Diwali

Some parents have kindly offered to come in and celebrate by performing traditional dancing for the children and make traditional foods for the children's snack time. We hope the children will enjoy this day. Please allow your child to attend nursery in their own clothes.

# **Fathers Morning Workshops**

We ask for parental support and involvement within the nursery, so where you see an event in your Child's room coming up, please do come along. You never know what skills you may learn from us, or us from you! Please note that Grandad's are very welcome to attend too  $\odot$ 

# **Mothers Morning Workshops**

These mornings are full of new things to try at home with your children; whether it be play dough making, positive behaviour strategy modelling or packing healthy lunches, come and join us for a morning to see how we can help you.

#### **Nursery Photographs**

All children will be encouraged to have an individual nursery photograph. However please be understanding that the children are very little and may not want this to take place. We will do everything we can to capture a special moment for you ③ If your Child does not attend nursery on a Tuesday, please see Nadine to make arrangements.

## **Children in Need**

As of every year, our nursery will be celebrating and supporting Children In Need. We ask for a donation of £1 from each child. To mark this event we ask that all children attend in their pyjamas!

#### **Christmas Party**

All Children are invited to our Christmas Party which will take place On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019. Please note the session for this day will be 9am-12pm. All Children to attend in their party clothes ©

And a few extras...

**Lunches** – Can we remind you that no nuts or grapes should be in the children's lunch boxes. We have healthy lunch ideas on our parent's notice board.

**Labelling Items** – Please can your ensure your child's coats/hats/scarfs are labelled clearly. We have a lost property box which is already filling up!

**Water Bottles** – Our nursery provides many opportunities for children to drink throughout the day. We use our own cups and water dispenser for children, so please leave your child's water bottles at home.

**Winter Weather** – Our team will always make every effort to travel in, however there are times when it is unsafe for staff and children. Please remember to check our website in snowy weather, to see whether the nursery is open: <a href="www.standrewsnurseryschool.co.uk">www.standrewsnurseryschool.co.uk</a>. It will be updated at 6am.

**Toys from home**- we encourage all children to leave their toys from home, at home as we are not responsible for loss or damages to these items.

**Attendance** – We have a strict attendance policy at our nursery, so if your child is unwell or you are travelling for any reason, please notify the nursery. For any child who is off nursery for 5 consecutive days, and the nursery has not been informed, we have a duty of care to inform Brent Family Front Door Child Protection Services. Please call us on 02082052653 or email us: standrewsnw9@aol.com

## Managers Note...

As our welcome display says, 'When you enter this loving nursery, consider yourself one of the special members of an extraordinary family.'

Firstly thank you for choosing to bring your child to St Andrews Nursery. We hope you and your child enjoy the nursery experience we provide. Please remember if you ever have any concerns, or need any extra support for anything at all, please come and speak to me. We have a range of services available to us, and I can sign post you the right way.

Enjoy Autumn Term and best wishes to you all,

Nadine and Team ©