



30 Hours Funding Available from September & Other Updates

NEWS

AUTUMN/WINTER 2017 Who's who!?

Here at Playdays we pride ourselves on recruiting only the best for our nursery. We aim to find staff with passion and love to help care for the children. We have some wonderful and enthusiastic staff join the team within the last few months that have really added so much value to our nursery. **Gemma** and **Candis** have joined our new baby centre and have already built great bonds with all the babies. **Helen** has joined our Hedgehogs room and all the children have connected with her already too. **Christine** has joined our team as our administrator - please see Christine for any fee queries. We are so lucky to have such a fantastic team and this is reflected not only in our practice and in the presentation of the nursery but also on the smiles on every child's face in our care.

What's new Owls?

This has been an exciting few months for our nursery as we expand and grow. Our new baby centre has just opened and all our **Owls** have been excited to explore the new space. With a separate sensory room, role play area, messy play room, side garden, free flow play and much more, the baby centre is ready to educate and expand young minds. We also have our new babies Ella, Soham, Henrietta, Archie, Evie, Henry, Isla and Isaac starting and are so excited to invite them to join our Playday's family!

Hedgehogs all aboard!

It's been an exciting month for **Hedgehogs** as they explore the deep blue sea and learn all about the ocean and its habitats. The **Hedgehogs** have shown a great interest in pirates and we have been relating this to their play with activities such as 'find the pirate' and pirate games like 'hook a duck'! The **Hedgehogs** have enjoyed making their own treasure maps and digging for buried treasure! We look forward to welcoming all our **Hedgehogs** back in September and also welcome Herbert, Callum, Samuel, Kyle and Paige to to our **Hedgehogs** room. It's also with a heavy heart that we see Ian and Nelani move to our **Badgers** room.

All about Badgers

Badgers have been busy learning all about themselves; where they live, where they are from, how their body works and what makes them different from others. The children have especially enjoyed learning about their body parts and what these do. During our weekly stretch and grow sessions the children have been learning about how to keep their bodies healthy with exercise. We would also like to welcome Daisy, Noah, Max, Maja and Rose to **Badgers**!



Tapestry

Tapestry is our online journal and provides you with a window to see into the day to day running of our nursery. It is a fantastic tool that gives us a chance to display our outstanding practice but also to create a partnership with home and allow you to upload pictures and events that happen within your family. The children and staff really enjoying seeing pictures from home and seeing all the exciting places that you go. We hope that this continues in the future. Also we will be introducing our "Tapestry challenge" every month! If you cannot access Tapestry or have any questions please come speak to Aisling in the office.



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Things to do at Home!



Ofsted News

"We are so pleased to announce we received a 'good' on our most recent Ofsted! Thank you so much to all the parents for your support, it really helped us to achieve this result we have all been working so hard towards"

Fees

Badgers have been exploring deep space! We loved making jet packs and zooming around the garden all the way to the moon! **Badgers** love to learn about new environments and experiments. We have been discussing cause and effect and the children were so keen to complete our volcano experiment in the garden! We look forward to welcoming our new scientists/ **Badgers**: Daisy, Noah, Rose, and Max to the room this September.

Clothing Reminder

As the weather continues to be sunny and warm, can we please ask that all children are still provided with sun cream and sun hats for those warm days and coat and wellington boots for those wet days and windy days as autumn approaches. Unfortunately any children attending without appropriate clothing will be unable to use the garden..

Events

As a nursery, we appreciate all the support and interaction we get from parents, it is only through this partnership that we can provide such fantastic services and events for the children. This summer we have had great events, such as **parents evening, leavers sports day and picnic, graduation, fathers day tea party, cake sale and open day** where we also opened our new **baby centre**. The open day was a great success and we would like to thank all parents and staff for their hard work and presence at this great day.

The day included face painting, tin can ally, raffles, tombola, hook a duck, smoothie making, cake sales, biscuit decorating, popcorn making, arts and crafts, stalls from local businesses and soft play. All photos can be found on our Facebook page, and if you didn't make it this year we hope to see you next year!

Upcoming Events

4th September

Start of Term

5th October

Parents Evening

23rd - 27th October

Half Term (Term paid children only)

31st October

Halloween party 3.00-4.30 p.m.

13th November

Remembrance Themed Day

20th December

Christmas party/concert.

22nd December - 2nd January

Christmas end of term for all.

We thank you all for your continued support and look forward to another successful term ahead.

Kind Regards,

The Playdays Team

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