



# Nurture News

September 2018

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## A NOTE FROM RACHEL

Welcome back following the Summer break, we hope you had a relaxing break and a very warm welcome to all of the families who are embarking on their Nurture adventure.

### **STAFFING:**

We are sad to have said 'Goodbye' to Amy and we are also saddened to be saying 'Goodbye' to Katie. Katie's last day is 21<sup>st</sup> September, we wish them both the best with their future career.

Pre-School will continue to be led by Amanda, Laura & Paige as well as Angela and Michelle who will be joining our fantastic team. Angela will be joining us Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September and will be working Monday - Thursday term time only and Michelle will be joining us Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October and work Monday - Friday all year round.

Angela and Michelle have a significant amount of early years experience and we are looking forward to the sharing their skills and experience.

### **TRAINING:**

Congratulations to Sophie who has completed her NVQ Level 2.

This term we will be continuing with Quality Counts training to evaluate our current practice.

Following on from the audit we conducted on the setting and our practice we will be reviewing all our policies and also continue to focus on the development of Teaching & Learning through staff and mentor meetings.

### **CAR PARKING:**

I know this is mentioned on each newsletter, however can we please ask that parents do not double park on the road outside the nursery as this is obstructing neighbours and also the emergency services from accessing properties past the nursery.

When parking in the car park we would appreciate it if you could show consideration for all of our families, we know drop

off can be particularly busy and parents are in a rush but please pull into the car park so others can also gain access.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

#### **September - Harvest Festival**

Throughout September we will be collecting tinned & packet food for The Pantry, All Saints.

The Pantry provide basic provisions for individuals who are facing difficult circumstances.

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Children in Need**

#### **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term**

There will be no funding this week for children who attend term time only.

#### **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October - Nursery Photos**

More details to follow shortly.

#### **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Halloween Fancy Dress**

Could we please ask that children do not wear scary masks.

#### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November - Parents Evening**

**5.30pm - 7.00pm**

This is a great opportunity to sit with your child's Nurturer to look through your child's learning journal and discuss your child's development.

If your child is in the 2-3 or pre-school room could you please book a 10 minute slot with your child's Nurturer.

#### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Pre-School Panto Trip**

Letters have been sent to parents.

#### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Party**

More details to follow nearer the time.

#### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Christmas Dinner**

Unfortunately we will not be able to book any children in extra for lunch this day.

#### **Christmas Break**

**Nursery closes - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 6.30pm**

**Re-open - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**



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## Toddler Room

### Staff



**Kayla**  
Room Leader



**Hannah**  
Deputy Room  
Leader



**Jade**



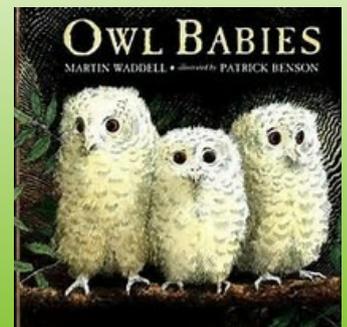
**Sophie**

**Falling into Autumn term are Kayla, Hannah, Sophie & Jade.  
Congratulations to Sophie on achieving her NVQ Level 2.**

### Our Focus Book this Term

**Our focus for this half term is The Owl Babies.**

**We are looking forward to creating our own owls using a variety of materials which fits in nicely with our theme for the term which is Woodland Animals.**



**A little reminder for parents to ensure your child has spare clothes at nursery, as well as hats, gloves, wellies and waterproofs so we can still explore the outdoors in the colder weather ... don't forget to label belongings.**

## Toddler Room

### What we have been doing in the Toddler Room



We have been busy this past term with our display work. This has included creating sea creatures, exploring our very own rock pool and engaging in stories and rhymes.



As many of us have been on our holidays over the summer, we have followed this theme by creating our very own mocktails, fruit salad and tropical fruit printing.



We have also been looking at different modes of transport. The children particularly enjoyed getting the bus to Etherow and also practicing our walking skills with trips to the park and The Garden House.



## Toddler Room

### What we will be doing in the Toddler Room

This term we are looking forward to our Autumnal activities, some of these include our Harvest Festival collection, Halloween and Woodland Animals.

There are plenty of exciting activities to keep us busy including autumnal hunts to collect leaves, sticks and other autumnal treasure to explore in our sensory tray and to use them as mark making tools.

Autumn is a great time of year to explore and use all of our senses whilst watching the leaves change colour as well as trying new textures and tastes such through exploring porridge and play dough!

We have been helping children to recognise different types of weather and how weather can change. We will continue observing weather as the seasons change.



September sees the beginning of our Nurture Harvest Festival. Over the coming weeks the whole nursery will be joining together in helping to collect non perishable food and toiletries activities to support All Saints Church who hold an open pantry every Saturday. This encourages both children and staff to give back and care for people less fortunate than ourselves in the cold winter months ahead.

