

Puddleducks Weekly Newsletter for week commencing 30th January 2023

Important information:

Can we please remind all parents accessing 30 hours funding to re-validate your claim when notified to do so by HMRC. This is generally every 3 months. If this fails to happen funding will be lost until the next funding period. In these times of financial constraints it is probably the last thing anyone wants.

We currently have 3 children who have moved into their 'Grace period' which means funding in April is in jeopardy. Please speak with Beverley or Charlie if you have any queries.

General Information:

Diarrhea - We have had 2 cases, in the Baby Room, suffering from this ailment this week. Please note that the room has been deep cleaned, to kill any lingering germs, so hopefully no further cases will appear - however this is a reminder that if your child/ren are suffering from sickness or diarrhea, you must keep them away from nursery for 48 hours following their last loose episode.

The children in the Pre-School Room discovered a lot of spiders in our pop-up tents, which are stored in our shed (much to the delight of all the staff). We have come to realise that our shed roof needs re-felting. If you know of someone who can help us repair the roof, please let us know.

Ongoing Notices:

Term 3 ends Friday 10^{th} February for out term time only children. Holiday club, for our all-year children, continues week commencing Monday 13^{th} February. Term 4 starts (for all children) Monday 20^{th} February.

Cooked food menu this week is: Menu Two

Please be aware cooked food is ordered each fortnight. Any $\underline{\text{new}}$ cooked meal requests are required by Wednesday 1st February 2023 to take effect from Wednesday 8th February 2023.

Letters & Sounds Pre-School Room - (Recognising letters using sound, sight, and touch) - To learn to say a discrete phoneme, recognise and write the letter that represents that phoneme. This week we will be assessing the children.

Blast for all three-year-olds - This intervention will commence soon this term.

Social skills for all two-year-olds - This intervention will commence soon this term.

Individual Education plans (IEP's) - Child specific

Topic for Term 3: Space

This week's topic - Stars & Planets

Focus activities Baby room - Dark den solar system

Focus activities Toddler room - Making star decorations for our planets

Focus activities Pre-School room - Naming, decorating and inventing planets

Pre-School Homework - Create your own planet

Toddler talk - Noisy play

Baby Babble - Singing and Rhymes