

Renfrew Street Nursery News!

September 2023



Welcome!

First of all, I'd like to say "Welcome back" or "Welcome" to Renfrew Street Nursery School. I hope you had a lovely summer. All our returning children have settled back into nursery life, and our new children are all settling well too. If you have any questions or concerns please phone or ask when you are dropping off your child and I will be happy to speak to you.

Book and Rhyme of the Month

Our Book of the Month for September is "Rhinocorn Rules!" by Matt Carr.

Our Rhyme of the Month is "Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary"

You will receive a copy of these soon and we hope you will enjoy sharing the book and rhyme with your child. You will also receive your first Home Learning activity soon. Please share your photographs with us.





Parent Groups

We are really pleased that parents are now able to come into the nursery, and we hope that you are enjoying seeing the nursery and meeting the staff. We are hoping to start up some parent groups in the near future, so look out for information about this. This should provide opportunities for parents to meet each other. It will also be an opportunity to find out more about and to be involved in the life of the nursery.

Dates for your diary

- The nursery will be closed on the following dates: Friday 22nd September and Monday 25th September for the September Weekend holiday.
- Friday 13th October for staff training
- Monday 16th to Friday 20th October for the mid- term holiday
- A holiday list for the year is attached to this newsletter.

Toy Fund

After a lot of consideration, we have decided to increase our Toy Fund contribution to £4.00 per week. We are really sorry to have to do this, but the high cost of living has meant that our Toy fund does not stretch as far as it used to. Please continue to pay this to Sharon or Alex using the envelope provided. Thank you for continuing to pay your Toy Fund contribution. It allows us to provide additional resources and activities for the children. This includes the Book of the Month, resources for home learning activities, parties and celebrations, and ingredients for baking, playdough, and other sensory experiences.

Learning Update

We will be starting planning again this week. We use the children's interests as a starting point. The children have been interested in flowers, so this will be a focus for the first plan. We will also be establishing our Golden Rules. We have been reviewing how we share information about the children's learning with parents. We found that Seesaw was not as effective, so we are going to try a different app this year. We will give you more information very soon.

We are in the process of setting up a Facebook page to share information too. More details to follow.



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Our School Year for Session 2023-2024

| School re-opens | Staff- Monday 14 th August 2023 and |
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| | Tuesday 15 th August 2023 |
| | Children- Wednesday 16 th August 2023 |
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| September weekend | Friday 22 nd September 2023 and |
| | Monday 25 th September 2023 |
| In-service day | Friday 13 th October 2023 |
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| Mid-term holiday | Monday 16 th October 2023 to |
| | Friday 20th October 2023 inclusive |
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| Christmas holiday | Schools close at 2.30 on Friday 22 nd December 2023 |
| | Monday 25 th December 2023 to |
| | Friday 5 th January 2024 inclusive Schools re-open on Monday 8 th January 2024 |
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| Mid-term holiday | Monday 12 th February 2024 and |
| | Tuesday 13 th February 2024 |
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| In-service day | Wednesday 14 th February 2024 |
| Spring holiday | Schools close at 2.30 on Thursday 28 th March 2024 |
| (Easter) | Friday 29 th March 2024 to |
| | Friday 12 th April 2024 inclusive |
| | Schools reopen on Monday 15 th April 2024 |
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| In-service Day | Thursday 2 nd May 2024 |
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| May Day holiday | Monday 6 th May 2024 |
| May weekend | Friday 24 th May 2024 and |
| holiday | Monday 29 th May 2024 and |
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| Summer holiday | Schools close at 1.00 on Wednesday 26 th June 2024 |
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| Schools re-open | Thursday 15 th August for staff |
| | Monday 19th August 2024 for children |
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