



Nursery School

Newsletter

June 2021

Acting Headteacher Update!

Happy June! And what lovely weather we are enjoying! Our vast outdoor space really comes alive during the summer months and we look forward to spending lots of time outside, and hopefully getting the paddling pool out! Please remember to apply sun cream before your child/ren come to nursery and send a sunhat too. We will provide lots of drinking water and shady spaces for children to cool down when needed.

Summer term is always a busy one and seems to go so fast! We are hoping to plan some celebrations, especially for our children who leave us this time to go to school. We have pencilled in the week beginning 19th July (see dates opposite– a letter will follow with more information) but please watch this space as our plans may have to change depending on government guidelines at the time- let's keep our fingers crossed! Our children deserve it so much after everything that they have been through. We bring this academic year to a close on Thursday 22nd July with two fabulous parties for each bubble group!

Louise & Natalie
Acting Head teachers



Natalie Sinclair

Assistant Headteacher/SENCO
Based at Highfield

Louise Cheetham

Assistant Headteacher/
Specialist Lead in Education

Staffing Update

We are pleased to tell you that Sue's operation was a success and that she is recovering well. Sue hopes to return to nursery on Friday 2nd July 2021.

At Duke Street we welcome a PGCE teaching student on Monday 21st June. Gareth will join Linda and Becca's group until the end of the summer term.

Transitions

As we progress through the summer term we begin to look ahead to the transitions that will take place in September. We say goodbye to lots of our amazing children as they move to primary school. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for choosing Duke Street and Highfield Nursery School– watching your child grow and flourish has been a joy and we know that they will always take us with them as they progress through their education and beyond. Please continue to promote us with your friends and family :-)

We support every child individually with their transition to primary school. If you feel that your child may need some specific support, please speak to us. We have already been in contact with the primary schools and are currently writing comprehensive reports which you will receive in July.

For our other children who are transitioning groups within nursery, their new key person will spend time with them in nursery during the week beginning 12th July.

What's going on at nursery

w/c 28/6/21– Pre-School will complete the annual sports events– this will be recorded and sent via Tapestry.

Transition Week:

Week beginning 12th July.

Bubble Celebrations: For children leaving for primary school only (more information to follow).

Monday 20th July: Claire and Louise's Group

Tuesday 20th July: Vicky's Group

End of year party for all children:

Thursday 22nd July– more information will follow.

Useful Numbers:

Wellbeing & Mental Health Help Line:
08009154640

Crisis Team: 01772 773525

Samaritans: 116 123

Please know we are always here should you need to speak to us.

Address: Wright Street, Chorley, PR6 0SL **Tel:** 01257 262556

Email: bursar@highfield-nur.lancs.sch.uk

We need your help:

We really want to develop our outdoor area further and are looking for the following items, do you have anything lying at the back of a shed or are you having a clear out?

- Guttering
- Crates
- Old wellies
- Plastic bottles– any size
- * bamboo canes
- * plant pots– any size
- * bird feeders
- * plastic tubes
- * pegs
- * material– sheets or bedding
- * hosepipe

It is lovely to experience the hot and sunny weather but please make sure that you are sun safe by following the tips opposite.

Please support us by understanding that we cannot possibly apply sun cream for 135 children! On sunny days, please apply a high factor sun cream **before** your child comes to nursery. If possible, use one that will last all day. If your child is in nursery all day, please send a bottle of sun cream in with their name clearly labelled for staff to re-apply at lunch time.

Please also send in a sunhat and dress your child appropriately for the weather- flip flops may not be the best choice when your child is working hard to develop their physical skills outside.

We know children love spending time outdoors, whether in the garden, park or beach, however, their skin is more delicate than an adult's and can easily be damaged by the sun, even when it doesn't seem strong.

SUN SAFETY

Use a sunscreen with a minimum SPF 50 and at least 4 stars for UVA protection.

Wear sunglasses, ideally with wrap around lenses or wide arms, which carry CE and British Standard marks.

Reapply every two hours or immediately after swimming or sweating.

No sunscreen offers 100% protection so cover up with loose close weave clothing (such as cotton) and a wide brimmed hat to protect the neck, ears and face.

15-20 MINS

Generously apply sunscreen (5 teaspoons to cover the whole body) 15 to 20 minutes before going out.

Seek shade between 11am - 3pm when the sun is at its strongest. Always keep babies and toddlers in the shade if you can.

By following these simple tips your child will be able to stay safe and enjoy the sun. Remember parents, set your child a good example by also following this advice, and the whole family can have a happy sun safe summer.

For more information about the British Skin Foundation see www.britishskinfoundation.org.uk

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Please help ...

Parents appear to be hesitant to put their child's name down at nursery due to the pandemic. This has led to very low numbers on our waiting list for next year. This is of a concern and will have huge implications for our funding. Please help us by telling your friends and the community how nursery has helped your child make important progress and what a

fabulous team we have. Please like and share our Facebook posts in as many forms as you can, this will help us to share the wonderful experiences we create for children at nursery.



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[Please look out for the next newsletter which will come out in July 2021](#)