

# First Class - December Newsletter 2018

Day Care Centre

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## DIARY DATES 2019

Nursery opens - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

Chinese New Year - Tuesday 5th February 'Year of the Pig'

Family Learning event - 10:15 am - 11:15 am

- Bumblebees & Sunflowers - Tuesday 12th February
- Babies - Friday 15th February
- Bluebells & Pre-school - Thursday 14th February

Valentines Day - Thursday 14th February

Spring Half term - Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

British Science Week - Monday 11th - Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day - Friday 15th March

St Patrick's Day - Sunday 17th March

Oral Health Day - Wednesday 20th March

NDNA Healthy body Happy Me - Mon 25th - Fri 29th March

Autism Awareness - Tuesday 2nd April

Easter Holidays - Monday 15th - Friday 26th April

Good Friday - Friday 19th April (Nursery Closed)

Easter Monday - Monday 22nd April (Nursery Closed)

**TRAINING DAY - Tuesday 7th May 2019**

**(NURSERY CLOSED)**

Important  
Information

If your child is being collected by a family member or a friend  
**PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Ring nursery to inform us of who is collecting your child
- Give the name of the person collecting and a password
- Send a picture via email if possible of the person collecting.

If you fail to follow these procedures this may result in your child not being sent home with the person collecting as your child's safety is paramount for us.

## TRIPS & OUTINGS

This half term the children at nursery have visited the sikh temple for Diwali and the church for Christmas. We also made a visit to the pet shop to get fish for our nursery. We will be organizing other trips in the new year.



Laura.H



Dionne

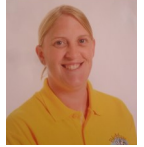


## NEW ROOMS & STAFF CHANGES

As you all may be aware we have two new members of staff join our team, Laura.H is based in Baby room part time all year round. Laura.B is based in Pre-school room full time all year round.



Laura.B



Melissa

After the half term holidays Dionne who was based in Pre-school room downstairs will be moving to Bluebells room upstairs. She will be working full time but term time only.

Melissa who was based in Bluebells upstairs will be moving downstairs to Bumblebees room she will continue to work three days a week and term time only.

## INTERESTS/ THEMED TOPICS

Our theme in the new year will be 'People who help us' - these could include - Doctors, dentist's, pharmacist's, police service, fire service, ambulance service etc.

We will work with our local community and organize trips out and have visitors come to our setting to speak to the children about their job role in the community.

If you know of anyone who falls in this category please help us by putting forward their details or ask them to get in contact with us via email or telephone.

**Look out for dates and more information on this.**



## HOME LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Thank you for everyone who have taken part in our home learning activities in the last two terms they have been very successful. Please look out for more learning events that will be coming up soon.

If anybody has any ideas that we could trial with parents please email them to

[firstclasshuddersfield@gmail.com](mailto:firstclasshuddersfield@gmail.com)



## FUNDRAISING

**Christmas Fayre** - Our Christmas Fayre was a huge success thank you to everyone who attended we managed to raise £250.00. This money will go towards buying special eggs for the children to see them hatch in nursery in the spring.

**Children in Need** - We raised £61.00

**Macmillan Coffee Morning** - We raised £195.61

Thank you for all your on going support without your support we wouldn't be able to make events such as these successful.

### SPARE CLOTHES / CLOTHES FOR APPROPRIATE WEATHER

Please could we ask all parents/carers to bring in a change of clothes for their children as we have limited amount of spare clothes. Please use a small bag as there is limited space on the coat pegs. Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate footwear especially for outdoor play. We also would recommend you to bring appropriate outdoor clothing as the children play out in all weathers.

## **MEDICATION**

Our medication policy states that we are only able to administer calpol for up to 48 hours any other medication must be prescribed by your GP. Please complete the required paperwork when bringing medication into the setting and then sign on collection when picking up your child. We also require medication to be taken home when finished apart from long term medication, we are unable to store any medication that is not in use. Please see the medication policy for more information.



### NO TOYS FROM HOME POLICY

Please can we remind you about our no toys from home policy, children have slowly started bringing toys into nursery again and we cannot be held responsible for the where about or care of these toys throughout the day.

## show ★ and tell

### SHOW AND TELL

In Pre-school and Bluebells room if your child would like to bring a toy or their favourite item into nursery to show their friends they can do.

Show and tell is the practice of showing something to an audience and telling them about it. We carry this activity out to teach young children the skills of public speaking.

## Taking a Day Off

### DAYS OFF/HOLIDAYS

If your child is not going to be in nursery for the day, please could you let a member of staff know or telephone nursery first thing in the morning. If you wish to book holidays at half fees a holiday request form needs to be completed

and submitted to the office at least four weeks in advance. If you do not inform anyone about your holiday then unfortunately you will still have to pay full fees. Holiday request forms are available in the entrance and office.

### REMINDER

Please can we remind all our parents/carers if you change your phone number, address or e-mail to let the staff know so we can update our records in the office. It is so important we have current contact details in case we urgently need to contact you.



### SAFETY REMINDER

**FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN AND STAFF**  
Please can you make sure the front door is closed before and after you enter the building. Please do not allow anyone to walk into the setting behind you even if you think you know who they are.

### FACE BOOK

If you haven't already please LIKE...



## First Class Childcare Hud- dersfield



If you are following our page on FACEBOOK you are able to see what your child gets up to every day as we upload pictures and videos of children with parents permission.

### 30 HOURS FUNDING FOR 3 YEAR OLDS

HAVE YOU REGISTERED ON THE  
'CHILDCARE CHOICES WEBSITE'?

The government has introduced **new** ways to help parents with childcare costs. Whether you have toddlers or teens, you could get support.

**TAKE A LOOK AT THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR  
MORE INFORMATION**

**WWW.CHILDCARECHOICES.GOV.UK**

### TAKE A LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE

**WWW.BIRKBEES.CO.UK**

For parents information such as fees, EYFS, Learning at home and also download various documents.

### PARENT ZONE

Don't forget to check Parent Zone on a regular basis. Parent zone allows you to log into a secure webpage to see a select quantity of your child's information including:

- Your child's learning journeys
- You can even contribute to your child's learning journey.
- You can see your weekly & monthly bookings
- Account statement showing bills and payments and also daily reports.

**ASK A MEMBER OF STAFF IF YOU HAVEN'T YET  
RECEIVED AN EMAIL, OR FOR MORE  
INFORMATION**

**ParentZone**  
Partnership in your Pocket

