



Nursery Newsletter – Autumn Term 2023

A massive welcome back to all our children, as well as a few new children who have joined us this September. Everyone is settling into nursery very well.



An apology to full time children and parents for the disruption during the summer break, but unfortunately, we weren't kept in the loop by School as to the extent of works happening on site. This caused disruptions to our entrance and electric supply for a number of weeks. I can only thank parents for their understanding when having to constantly use different entrances. We have been assured by school that this will not happen again and more communication will take place before any big planned works take place.

Staffing

We have a new staff member starting with us in October, Katie will be working mostly in green room with Lydia and will also be helping with SENCo duties. Vikki and Vic are still helping with SENCo and locking up on an evening. Vic, Kathryn and Megan are mainly in the toddler room and Sharon, Clare and Nicola are in with the babies.

Training Days for this academic year are booked as follows when nursery will be closed to all children on these days:

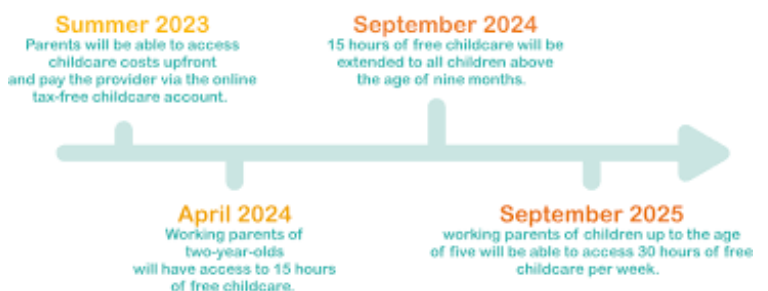
- Monday, 6th November 2023
- Friday, 9th February, 2024
- Monday, 3rd June 2024

On our first Training Day next month we are covering safeguarding updates, having a session on self-regulation in children and looking at room planning.

Government funding

The government announced during 2023 that they would be funding 2-year olds and babies during 2024 and the timescale is as follows currently:

- April 2024 all 2-year olds will be able to access 15 hours funding
- September 2024, 15 hours funding will be available from age 9 months
- September 2025, 30 hours funding will be available from age 9 months to them starting of school



We have no further information as yet to rates or any restrictions but will keep you updated as we get any information. As a nursery we are very full by April so if you think you might want to use provision please register this with us as soon as possible so we are able to plan ahead.

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Clothes



As a nursery we spend a lot of time outdoor with the children but they are increasingly coming with inappropriate clothing for the weather often with no coat or wearing sandals in the rain. Can we ask that all children bring water proofs, preferably bottoms and separate tops, along with a pair of wellingtons and a hat all clearly marked with their name. We have a lot of outdoor activities planned this Autumn and don't want children to get wet and cold.

Parents Evening

This will take place on Tuesday 7th November 2023 from 5.30 to 7.00pm please email in to thurgolandnursery@yahoo.co.uk if you would like to come in and discuss how your child is settling in and developing. Nursery will then allocate you a 10-minute timeslot by email to meet your child's key worker, meet the rest of the team and see the rooms.

We have evaluated the first year of our own curriculum and have made a few changes that we feel will benefit our children. We have had fantastic reports back from school about how well our children were prepared for school life which is very good.

Keep watching our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Thurgolandchildcare> for all our exciting work and any updates and hope to see you all at parents evening.

Kerry