



# Nursery Newsletter – Autumn Term 2024

Hi Everyone,

A lovely welcome back to all the children old and new, we hope all had a great summer break. The children are really enjoying been back in nursery. We have some new children who are still visiting but settling well.

Don't forget  
parents  
evening!

We will be holding a parents evening on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024 - this is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's key person and see how they are settling into nursery life. Please email [thurgolandnursery@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:thurgolandnursery@yahoo.co.uk) if you require an appointment time between 5.30 pm and 7.00 pm.

We are due OFSTED this term so keep a look out for the notice that they are in the setting.



## **Staffing**

As you are all aware, Sharon has retired after 23 years working for Thurgoland Childcare, so Lydia Mills has taken over running the baby room, she has previously been a lead in a very busy nursery in Sheffield. She will work alongside Kathryn and Clare. Nicola, Kelsey and Clare will be in toddlers; and Katie, Kelsey and Lydia Marshall will be in nursery room. Sharon will still come in to cover the odd holiday so you might still see her about.



We have an apprentice starting who will be undertaking her level 3 with us she is due to start anytime now, she is called Danicia. She will be an extra pair of hands for her first year across the nursery. Vikki is leaving to work in a school as it suits her family life better at the minute, we all wish her well. We are currently recruiting for another level 3, but our own staff are covering until we find the right person for our team.

## **Funding**

We have 2 remaining non funded weeks this academic year, this is due to how the financial year and easter holidays fall. We don't decide this, the Local Authority does. These weeks will need to be paid for in full as no funding is given but they are included in the 38 weeks term time. For those on a 50 week funded contract these weeks are included in the funding stretch.

These are:

4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Keep watching our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Thurgolandchildcare> for all our exciting activities and any updates.

*Kerry*

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