



Thurgoland Childcare
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Nursery News

Welcome back everyone; we hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and New Year break.



We are welcoming a few new children this term in the Baby room and Toddlers. All the children have come back full of very exciting things to talk about it sounds like you all had lots of fun. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who brought gifts for staff at Christmas, we felt very spoilt and received some lovely presents, thank you so much.

Pre-School Room have been working really hard up to Christmas learning Makaton they have really enjoyed learning their names and other family members names and they are very keen to continue this.

Toddler Room have lots of outdoor activities planned over the next few months, please make sure your children either arrive appropriately dressed in snow suits, hat and gloves with wellingtons on, or bring them in their bags. We will be outside in all weathers.

Baby Room really enjoyed all the sensory activities before Christmas; Jenny has bonded really well with all the little ones and is looking forward to doing more work and activities with them.

Staff Training Day

We had a really good training day on Monday 5th Jan 2026. Melanie from the SCI team came and delivered a session to all the team, on how to identify SEN needs and how we can help and support children to move forward with their learning. We already use a lot of visual timetables in nursery for all ages and if you are struggling with behaviour at home and are finding it difficult, please ask staff for support. We all need to be on the same page when it comes to dealing with unwanted behaviours, so always share with staff what you are doing at home to support your child and we can work together as we have found that consistency pays off.



In the next few weeks your child will be coming home with a sticker with a QR code on it to download a new app to support parents with their child's development and learning. Easypeasy is an evidence led app with hundreds of simple ideas to support families with their children's learning it covers lots of things from communication to bedtime routines. We have posters on the door and in nursery with the QR code should you lose your sticker.

Just a reminder!

It is very important that if your child is booked in for an 8.45 am start that they arrive on time.



Some children are missing out on our big group time where we explain what we are doing for the day and look at the visual timetable. Once we close the door at 8.55 am we don't have spare staff to answer the door mid-session. It can be very disruptive for other children and causes issues for school with parents coming across the outdoor lessons school are holding on the bottom yard.

All children booked in need to be here before the gates are locked at 8.55 am unless you have informed us beforehand you have an appointment and are going to be late. Staff are only available then at 3.15 to 6.00pm to answer the door we do not man the office daily, we are in the rooms and attending training and meetings.