



Mighty Oaks

Mighty Oaks Little Acorns Ltd

Care and Education for Children 0 to 5 years

"Tall Oaks from Little Acorns Grow" David Everett 1769 - 1813

Mighty Oaks Autumn Term Newsletter

November 2020

Covid-19

In line with the Government's national lockdown, we have decided to implement some new changes to keep us Covid-19 secure. When dropping off and collecting your children please can everyone wear a face covering when on nursery premises, although this is not mandatory we feel that it is an additional step that we can take to keep us all safe and the nursery open. Staff will be wearing a face shield at the door so that we are able to support the children to come in directly from parents/carers if required. We will remove face shields when inside with the children as the transmission rates between children and adults is low. As always, the safety and welfare of our children, families and staff is our priority. If you have any concerns or questions, please do speak to us.

Packed lunches

It is important for children to receive a balanced and varied diet. Ensuring they get the right vitamins and minerals in their diet will help them grow and develop optimally. They are also more likely to be energised and motivated, supporting their ability to learn. Educating them on healthy eating during childhood will also help them make healthier choices as they become adults. When making your child's lunch, please bear in mind not to pack them any chocolate bars, biscuits, chocolate spread or sweets. Some ideas you could try are;
Sandwiches or crackers with cream cheese, egg mayonnaise, cheese, ham, tuna mayonnaise.
Some vegetables such as carrot sticks, cucumber, peppers.
Fruit, fresh or dried like apricots and apple rings.

For more inspiration visit <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

Seedlings

We have been making firework pictures and exploring textures in the sensory tray. We are celebrating Diwali looking at patterns, shape and colour. We will be playing games to include turn-taking.

Acorns

We are celebrating festivals this term, promoting independence, language skills and playing co-operatively with our friends.

Oaks

We are celebrating different festivals this term, including Bonfire night, Diwali, St Andrews Day and Christmas. We are also practicing our pencil control.

Contact Details

Please can you ensure that we have your up-to-date contact details – mobile numbers /address etc.

Family Photographs

Could you please bring in or email some family photos for our room displays. Send them to:
managemightyoakslittleacorns1@gmail.com

Nursery T-shirts

We are delighted to have a new uniform for the staff and children to wear – you may have seen some of the staff already wearing our black t-shirts with rainbow logo on the front. These are available to buy at a great price, children's £5 each or 3 for £12. We have hoodie's available; these are olive green with the Mighty Oaks Little Acorns logo on and can be bought for £10. They are lovely! Please let us know if you would like to order any.

Illnesses

Covid-19 Signs and symptoms.

If your child is showing any signs or symptoms of Covid-19, including a **high temperature, a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours or **a loss or change to sense of smell or taste** – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal then you must **stay at home** and seek medical advice.

Learning Journals

If you took your child's learning journal home (the red book) please can you return it ASAP so we can continue to add observations and photographs to it. If you would like to add your own comments on your adventures over the holidays, please feel free to write or add photos.

Staffing

In Seedlings we have:



Mel



Ella

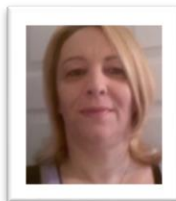
In Acorns we have:



Louise



Yasmin



Miss Beard

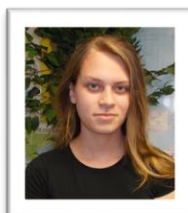
In Oaks we have:



Sam



Hannah K



Scarlet



Mandy

Activity at Home –

Try a nature hunt, see how many things you can spot that are green or any colour, you could also look for shapes, numbers or letters.

Facebook and Reviews

If you have a spare few minutes, we would love a review. We have spaces for new children join us, if you know anyone who might be interested do let us know. Thank You.

Reminders

Funded hours –

Don't forget to re-new your 30 hour codes. More information on any funding you may be eligible for look at the childcare choices website.

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

Suitable and spare clothing – Please pack some spare clothes for your child, we do sometimes get a little bit messy. If we are lucky enough, please apply sun cream to your child before coming to nursery on sunny days and bring wet weather clothing on the rainy days.

Dates for your diary

The last day of term will be Friday 18th December 2020 we will finish for all children at 12pm.

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