





# Summer Term Newsletter April 2022

# Dear Parents/Carers,

As we begin our summer term the children have settled back in quickly, confidently, with their great love for learning and continued to make great progress we are delighted see all of the children return with such energy and enthusiasm.

Congratulations and best wishes to Shajida who had a lovely baby boy. We welcome Linda this term who is covering for Shajida's maternity leave.

I would also like to thank the staff for all of their hard work over the last two terms. It has been a tough year for the staff due to bereavements, illnesses and shielding. They have continued to work hard and show their commitment to the children. They really are a fantastic team and it is incredible to see everyone back this term.

This term we will continue with our arrangement of social distancing while entering and exiting the building and will continue to review our all of our practices. Please can you wear a mask as you come into the building.

Those of you who applied for Reception Class should have found out on Tuesday 19 April - we will be here if you need any help you might need. Please talk to your class team.

Hopefully as the warmer weather approaches, please remember to send your child in with: -

- A sun hat and wearing sunscreen.
- Please make sure their shoes are suitable for climbing too!
- Please label your child's clothes

# **Attendance and Punctuality**

For your child to develop and continue to learn new things it is important for them to attend as regularly as possible. When your child is really unwell please telephone the office to let us know on the first day. If you forget you will get a call from the school to ask why your child is not in.

# **RE:** government updates to Covid restrictions.

On the 1 April the government updated its next steps for living with Covid-19 guidance, with the current status of population being much stronger protected against CV19 than at any other point in the pandemic. The living with CV19 means that we must manage the virus like other respiratory infections, and for that reason regular asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended in any educational setting, including SEND.

To coincide with these changes to restrictions the NHS have published the following:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms







#### The main changes are summarised below:

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home to avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature and they feel well enough to attend. For children and young people aged 18 and younger with a positive case should stay at home and avoid other people for 3 days.

Adults with symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell should try and stay at home to avoid contact with people until they feel better to resume their normal activities and that they no longer have a high temperature. Adults with a positive Covid-19 test result should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days.

# **Hatching Chicks**

The children really enjoyed our Easter activities last term. We will continue the development of their knowledge of eggs through hatching chicks in the nursery. They will be delivered on Monday 9th May and remain with us for two weeks leaving on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May so that children can observe their development and help to care for them.

#### Eid

We will have a party for the children on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May, at 1pm. The children in the 2-year-old room will attend their sessions as normal. Morning children in the large nursery are invited to attend in the afternoon at 1pm. Children are welcome to wear their Eid clothes. If you would like to donate some money we will buy the food.

# **Book Bags**

Each Wednesday your child can receive a new book to take home.

#### **Toddler Group**

This takes place on Wednesdays at 1:00-2:45

# **Dates for Your Diary**

- May Bank Holiday Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May School Closed
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Eid School Closed
- Thursday 5th May Elections School Closed
- 30<sup>th</sup> May- 3<sup>rd</sup> June– School Closed Half Term Holidays
- School Re-opens Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June see you all at 9:15am

Have a good half term holiday.

#### Lynn and all of the team at Alice Model Nursery School