



# Newsletter 11 September 2023

## Oakengates Nursery School

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Our newsletter is the best way to find out about everything that is happening in nursery, including details of our learning plans for the following week. It is posted every Friday on the home page of our website [www.oakengatesnurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.oakengatesnurseryschool.co.uk)



We hope that you and your family have had a lovely summer and are ready for the new term ahead.

We would like to welcome all of our new and existing families to our nursery.

It has been a delight to meet both you and the children this week. It has been lovely to see so many smiles and new friends being made.



### Admin Hours

Please reminded that the nursery admin office now operates **term time only**  
Monday-Thursday 7.30-3.45pm  
Friday 7.30-1pm

**If you need to contact the nursery in an emergency out of these admin hours, please call the contact number below**

**07340 751 171**

If you have any queries over the holiday periods, please leave a voicemail on 01952 387 910 or alternatively email [oakengates.admin@taw.org.uk](mailto:oakengates.admin@taw.org.uk)

### TERM DATES

**Autumn 2023**

**First half term**

**Tuesday 5th September – Friday 27th October**

**Half Term Holiday**

**Monday 30th October – Friday 3rd November**

**Second half term**

**Monday 6th November – Friday 22nd December**

Please go to our website to access all term dates for the academic year 2023-2024

<https://www.oakengatesnurseryschool.co.uk/media/46119/term-dates-2023-2024.pdf>



### Snack Donations



Just a reminder that a snack donation of **£1** per week is requested from **all our preschool** children and **funded toddlers**.

Your contribution helps us to ensure that the children have access to healthy options at snack time each day.

**Your child's key person will be collecting snack donations at the start of each session.**

Thank you



Our theme in nursery this term is called:

# Let's Celebrate Me



## Baby room:

We have enjoyed meeting and greeting all our new parents and children to our baby room this week. Please feel free to call or message on iconnect if there is any questions you still may have.

Over the next 5 weeks we will be exploring the new environment and learning about ourselves, families and making friends.

This week we will be exploring our faces in the mirrors, exploring where facial features are and singing 'heads, shoulders knees and toes' to look at other parts of our bodies.

We will be reading the story 'peekaboo' and seeing if the children can close their eyes and repeat the word 'boo' joining in with a game.

We have created a home from home role play area where the children can investigate items from home such as cups and plates, dressing up clothing and pretending to bake in kitchen. We will be looking at how to mix ingredients in a bowl with a spoon.

We will be investigating our senses by smelling and touching lemons and limes in warm water and tasting new fruit and vegetables at snack times.

## Toddler Room

This week in the toddler room we will be sharing the story "Goldilocks and the three bears". In the home corner we will be setting the table for the three bears. Talking about the different sizes we can see. I wonder which is the big chair?

On the mark making table we will be practicing our pencil control creating different lines for a shopping list.

On the finger gym we will be exploring filling and emptying porridge oats into different sized bowls. In the art studio we will be introducing texture and movement. Where we will be exploring finger painting using one colour at a time. Then I wonder what will happen when we combine two colours together on our paper?

Our nursery rhyme of the week is "Incy wincy spider".



## Preschool

This week in preschool we will be welcoming our new friends to our groups.

We are learning about Goldilocks and The Three Bears and acting out the story in the three bears house role play area.

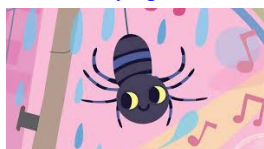
Our rhyme of the week is Ring a ring a roses and 1,2,3,4, come and sit down on the floor.



## Rhyme of the week

Click on the image below to access the rhyme.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/something-special-incy-wincy-spider>





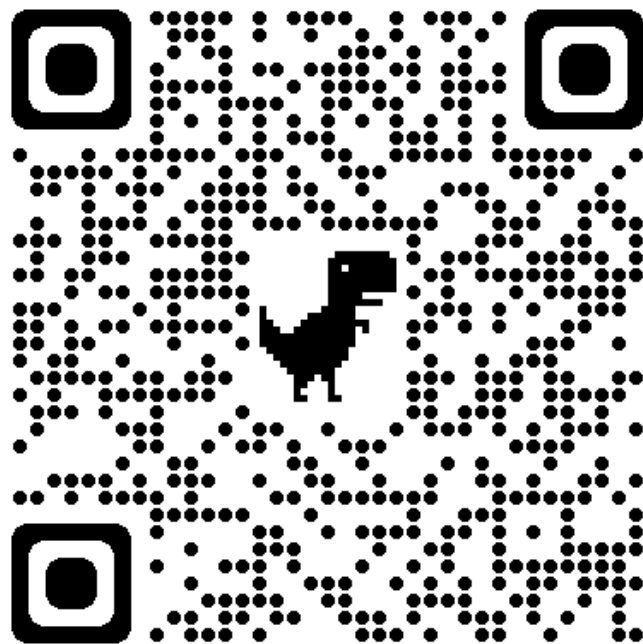
# ParentZone

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your child or the Nursery.

**Please check parentzone as there is an important  
message waiting for you.**



Use the QR code below to access a guide for parents.



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assistance.