



Newsletter 22 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



Is your child due to start reception in September 2024?

Please see page 3 for information on how to apply for a school place.

Nursery Induction Questionnaire.



Please spend a few minutes completing our online questionnaire, we really appreciate and value your feedback.

<https://forms.office.com/e/KZhKAFXRNT>

Thank you in advance.



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



Your Health Visiting Team

School Readiness Drop-in session.

On **28th September at 8.45am and 12.30pm** a School Readiness staff member from the health visiting team will be available in the preschool room to give advice, support, and signpost to resources on **toileting, behaviour, sleep, fussy eating and dental health**.

By identifying development concerns early, support, targeted interventions and early referrals can be put in place to and ensure your child is equipped and ready for school.

Remember you can also contact the health visiting team **0333 358 3328**

Please let us know if you can make it by completing this short survey <https://forms.office.com/e/PVuNzxmSh9>

Our theme in nursery this term is called:

Let's Celebrate Me

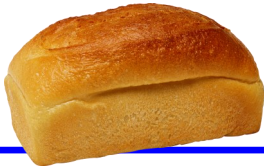
Baby room

The children will be exploring playdough with their fingers by pushing, pulling, rolling and patting so they can feel the texture and begin to learn how to mould the material.

We will be learning about our sense, taste and smell by investigating oranges and lemons in warm water and filling and emptying containers with spoons and cups.

The children will be going on a walk to the garden area to investigate the natural objects found. Can you see the grass? Can you see the apples on the trees? Show me the leaves

We will be learning how to mix ingredients such as flour and water in the role play area and pretending how to cook bread in the oven. Looking at routines or choosing it, put it away by pretending to wash up in the sink area.



Toddler Room

This week in the Toddler room we will be celebrating the Chinese festival of the moon. We will be creating our own moon cakes on the playdough table, using different tools to make marks on the top. We will be creating moon paintings in the art studio practicing by creating circle shapes. We will also be creating lanterns to take home.

We will also be listening and dancing to Chinese music using scarfs.

Our nursery rhyme of the week is wind the bobbin up



Preschool

This week in pre-school we are continuing with our theme 'Me and My Nursery'. The children are becoming really confident at accessing resources in the room and talking about their feelings.

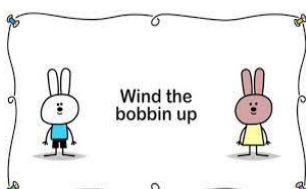
As it is the Festival of the Chinese Harvest Moon, we will be creating moons from sparkly playdough, tasting Chinese crackers and listening to Chinese music.

Our rhyme of the week is 'row, row, row your boat'.



Rhyme of the week

Click on the image below to access the rhymes of the week.





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Starting school?

Closing date for applications:

15 January 2024

If your child has an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP) the closing date is **31 October 2023**.

www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

- You must apply if your child was born between 1 September 2019 – 31 August 2020.
- You must apply even if your child is attending a nursery or pre-school on a school site or you have a child already attending the school.
- Attending a nursery does **not** guarantee a school place.
- School places are allocated in line with oversubscription criteria.
- See website for more information **www.telford.gov.uk/admissions** or contact School Admissions at **admissions@telford.gov.uk**



September 2023

Dear Parent or Guardian

How to apply for a place in Year 3 in September 2024 (Infant to Junior transfer)

As your child is attending an infant school, you will need to apply for a junior school place in Year 3 for September 2024.

To apply for a junior school place you must apply online at **www.telford.gov.uk/admissions**. The closing date for all applications is **15 January 2024 or 31 October 2023 for children with an Education, Health and Care Plan**.

If you do not have access to a computer, you can go to your local library and use their computer facilities.

You can find out more information on **www.telford.gov.uk/admissions** where you will be able to find our information booklet and mini guide. Alternatively, please contact School Admissions at **admissions@telford.gov.uk**

Yours faithfully

TELFORD & WREKIN SCHOOL ADMISSIONS TEAM

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