

January 2023

Happy
New Year!

Dear parents and carers,

A belated happy new year to you all!

We are now very much back in the swing of things at nursery as we begin the first part of the Spring term. In the last few weeks we have welcomed some new children and families to Millfields and the children are settling in and getting to know their new friends and keyworkers. The children have been enjoying Forest School sessions and investigating how the outdoor environment changes in Winter. They have also been finding out how Lunar New Year is celebrated around the world and enjoying music and dancing. We also got to enjoy and explore some unexpected snow which the children found very exciting! We have lots planned already this term for parents, carers and children and dates for some of these can be found overleaf. Please speak to a member of staff if you have any questions about these events.

Reminders and information

*** A reminder that Nursery session times are 8.30-11.15/11.30am and 12.15-3.00/3.15pm. We ask that children are brought in on time so that they do not miss valuable learning with their keyworkers and collected promptly please. Late fees will be incurred after these times.**

*** Children are offered a daily drink of milk or water during their sessions but can bring in their own bottles of plain water if they so wish. This must be plain water ONLY.**

*** Can parents please ensure that all belongings are labelled with their child's name, including coats, shoes, lunchboxes and bags.**

*** For children who bring a packed lunch to school, can we remind parents that grapes need to be cut length ways to ensure that they are not a choking hazard please**

*** Please note— If parents wish for their children to do extra sessions or stay for lunch time provision, then this needs to be booked in advance with Carmella in the office to prevent disappointment. Any money for fees needs to be handed to Carmella in the office between 8.30 and 2.30pm please.**

Good news! We are able to support families by means of food bank vouchers. Anyone who feels that they would benefit from this, please speak to either Gill or Dawn and we will be happy to arrange this for you as quickly as we can. Please note that this is a confidential service.

Reminders and information continued...

- **As the weather remains cold, a reminder that the children need a suitable coat, hat, scarf, gloves (and wellies if necessary) with them every day please so that they can access the outdoor environment safely and warmly**

Dates for your diary:

Friday 20th January—1000 Stories Parent meeting (Unit 2) 10.30am and 2.15pm

Monday 23rd January—Beckie B's consultations (rearranged)

Tuesday 24th January—Beckie B's consultations (rearranged)

Wednesday 25th January—Bloxwich Police to visit the morning group children

Thursday 26th January—Bloxwich Police to visit the afternoon children

Wednesday 1st February—Unit 2 Story Café (more information to follow)

Thursday 2nd February—Unit 1 Story Café (more information to follow)

Tuesday 14th February—Valentines Ball (more information to follow)

Friday 17th February—children break up for half term

Monday 27th February—children return to school

Thursday 2nd March—World Book Day (more information to follow)

Monday 13th March—Mothers Day events this week (more information to follow)

Monday 27th March— Dawn's consultations

Tuesday 28th March— Beckie B's consultations

Wednesday 29th March—Maxine's consultations

Thursday 30th March—Beckie Q's consultations

Friday 31st March— Kathryn's consultations

School closes for the Easter holidays on Friday 31st March.

Monday 17th April—children return to school



All of the staff at Millfields would like to say a huge thank you to all of our parents and carers for your continuing support.

