

# NPT Day Nursery

## Newsletter Winter 2017



### Welcome!

We would like to welcome all the new children and families that have joined us over the last couple of months. We hope that you have all settled in well and are enjoying nursery life!

I would also like to welcome the new staff that have recently joined our team, Elisha Williams, Della O'Connor and Kate Roberts. We would like to give our newest staff a warm welcome to the nursery and hope you feel part of our team in no time!



We would like to say a big Thank You to everyone with your help to raise money for children in need. I'm sure it's going to be a big help to such a great cause.

Thank you!



The nursery team have been working really hard over the last couple of months to achieve their Healthy and Sustainable Pre-School Scheme National Award. All the hard work has paid off as the nursery team have achieved the award and was presented to the nursery by Lee Trundle.

The staff have also been out on courses to keep their knowledge up to date:

Schoolhouse bespoke Positive Behaviour Management

Food Hygiene

Manual Handling

### PAG

The parent's advisory group is the voice of the nursery where we have a scheduled meeting every 3 months to discuss changes and recommendations. You as the parents come with your own agenda. If any parents are interested please speak to myself, Tiffany.

### Collection from Nursery

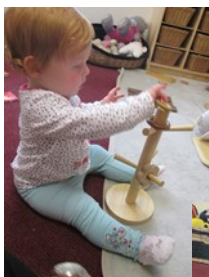
Due to safeguarding of the children and nursery please can you let the staff members know if someone different is collecting your child or phone the nursery to let us know in the case of an emergency. We would also like to remind you to check with your room supervisor that your child's password on file is correct.

## Under 2s Section

The under 2's have really enjoyed exploring the new room layout where the staff have been creating areas such as Natural area, Black read and White and Sand and Water play.

We have also enjoyed doing lots of different art work for Halloween the children the used all different materials to do this.

We also love to get messy and exploring using all our senses to grow and develop.



## Over 2s Section

Sam and her team have been very busy learning about "All about me" they have been encouraging the children to use their own independence and personal hygiene. The staff will be planning lots of activities to help them learn about themselves.



As well as the children have been learning about themselves they have been outside doing welly walks and splashing in puddles.



## Pre-School

Charlotte and Clare have taken the children on a trip to the pantomime to watch Cinderella, to get to the pantomime the children had to use the public service bus from outside the hospital. The children really enjoyed the bus journey signing songs and letting the driver know when it was time to stop by pressing the button.

The Pre-School children have also enjoyed being outdoors and using the willow garden to the side of the nursery running from each other and playing hide and seek.





## Idea's for activities to be carried out at home!

As winter is here and the nights are dark here are some fun and easy activities that can be done at home.

Having the children to design their own winter hat.

Making a Winter bag with them for sensory play



## Dates for your diary.

Christmas party day –

16<sup>th</sup> December

Nursery Christmas Dinner –

19<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Eve we are open from 8am-5pm. We are closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

New Years Eve we are open 8am-5pm and New Years Day we are closed.

The nursery will return to their normal

### Nursery Winter Recipe

#### LEEK AND POTATO SOUP

##### INGREDIENTS

- 1 tbsp [vegetable oil](#)
- 1 [onion](#), sliced
- 225g/8oz [potatoes](#), cubed
- 2 medium [leeks](#), sliced
- 1.2 litres/2 pints [vegetable stock](#)
- 150ml/5fl oz double cream or [crème fraîche](#)
- salt and freshly ground [black pepper](#)

##### METHOD

Heat the oil in a large pan and add the onions, potatoes and leeks. Cook for 3-4 minutes until starting to soften.

Add the vegetable stock and bring to the boil. Season well and simmer until the vegetables are tender.



### Collection times

I would like to remind all parents about the nursery's open and closing times. We are open from 7am to 6pm for the children who do a full day. They are entitled to 10 hours in nursery maximum during that time period. Our am session is 7am and no later than 1pm. Our afternoon session is from 1pm and no later than 6pm.

If children are being picked up after 1pm or 6pm there will be a late fee charged.



### Payments

May we respectfully remind you that payment of nursery fees are due by the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month, payments after this date will incur a late fee of £20.

### Childcare Vouchers

we would like to remind all parents to make sure that their vouchers are being completed by the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month for that month.



I would like to say a "Goodbye" to some of our Pre-School children as they are getting ready to start their adventure in big school. It has been fantastic to see them grow and develop in our care and look forward to hearing all about the next big chapter in their lives.



### Thank You!

A huge thanks you to all of you for your continues support and for recommending us to friends, family and colleagues. Remember we have an open door policy and myself, Sam and the nursery team are always here to help.

If any parents have any materials for junk modelling are greatly appreciated also a small variety of role play boxes or containers for the children's role play kitchen, that would be lovely.

