

Winter News from City Day Nursery

The Nursery Team would like to wish you a very happy and healthy time over this magical season.



Nursery Opening and closing H Christmas period:

Christmas Eve, 24th - 8am til 4pm

Christmas Day and 28th – CLOSED

New Year's Eve, 31st - 8am til 4pm

1st Jan - CLOSED

The nursery will return to their normal hours from 4th January 2020.



Dates for your Diary in December

Christmas Jumper Day Monday 14th

We would like to encourage the children to join the to join the staff team in wearing their Christmas jumper for this day.

Christmas Lunch Monday 14th

Our Nursery Cook, Kirsty will be preparing a traditional Christmas lunch with all the trimmings for the children and staff to enjoy together.

Christmas Party Friday 18th from 1pm

Our Under 2's, Toddler's and Pre school rooms will be having a Christmas party for the children to enjoy! There will be a variety of party games, a surprise socially distanced visit from Father Christmas and a party tea.

If your child does not attend any of the above days and you would like your child to join in the festive fun, please speak to a member of the management team to book an extra session.



Staffing News

Welcome to:

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our newest staff member's to the City Team:

Emily Rees who will be working with our busy over'2s section and will also be collecting the children from the local primary schools.

Kaylah Owen who is our nursery apprentice, we wish you both all the best on your journey with our City family.

We would like to say thank you to all staff and children for their help in helping the girls settle. *'Together we enjoy learning, encourage confidence and love life'.*

Also a warm welcome to all our new children and their parents.

Goodluck:

We would like to wish Megan, Madison and Sam the best of luck. They have now joined the staff team at our sister site, we hope they enjoy their new adventure. We will miss you.

Congratulations :

We would like to congratulate Alicia and family on the birth of their beautiful baby boy, Oakley..

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COVID-19

We would like to thank you all for your continued support during this unprecedented time.

As you are aware the children and staff temperatures are being taken before entry to nursery. If your child has a temperature of 37.8 or above they will be unable to attend until they are 48 hours clear of a fever without any medication. If your child is unwell please do not bring them to the nursery, stay at home and contact your nursery manager for advice.

Winter is DEFINITELY here.....

Brrrrr, it's cold outside! Please be sure to send your child in with appropriate coats, hats and welly boots as we will continue to go outside as the weather allows us to! Please make sure all items of clothing are labelled.

Please can you make sure that you provide your child with some spare clothes that can be left in their bag whilst at nursery– include some warmer items such as long sleeve tops, vests, Trousers/ leggings, socks/ tights and underwear if Potty training.

Please remember to like our Facebook page as this will also provide you with regular nursery updates as well as sharing what the children are currently learning whilst at nursery.





We are over the moon to have been awarded a top 20 award.. You may have seen our article online....

City Day Nursery: Children and families are at the heart of everything we do

We are beyond proud of our lovely staff team, our children, and the quality of childcare at our home from home Nursery. Our learning environment is warm and inviting and is a haven for relaxed child led play, where everyone is made to feel special. Being recognised as a Top 20 Recommended Nursery in Wales makes this award even more special for us all.

City Day Nursery is a unique, much loved setting in the heart of Swansea City Centre. For 7 years we have nurtured children's Early Years and ensured multiculturalism is woven into our daily activities. We recognise and celebrate difference as part of our nursery life and one thing remains very much the same; our children and their individual qualities are at the heart of everything we do.

This award is based on the positive reviews we have received from our families and reflects our approach in sharing a commitment to nurturing all children in our care. But most of all we are so pleased that this award can help us to inspire trust and confidence with new parents. 'Together we enjoy learning, encourage confidence and love life'. Schoolhouse's tagline represents the beginning of a family's nursery journey with us.



Pumpkin competition



The children submitted a beautiful pumpkin for 'The Big heart of Swansea' pumpkin competition. They looked through lots of different pictures and decided on the pumpkin they would like to make. They hand picked all their own leaves and pine cones and they were super happy to see their entry posted online! We have checked everyday to see how many people liked our pumpkin (who is now called Petra). We think this was a fantastic effort, well done everyone!

As a nursery we also made a thankful pumpkin. We all added something we were thankful for the children thought very hard and spent a lot of time on their answers

"my big comfy bed" -Ethan "Licky rainbow lollies" - Ariana

"my mummy"- Akeel "books" - Vicky "chocolate"- mel

What are you most thankful for?



Our Children's Themes and Activities....

Over 2's section



The children in the over 2's section interests have been based around messy play. We have looked at autumn colours, crunchy leaves and when the children were presented with a big orange pumpkin they were fascinated and pumpkin play soon became their favourite most requested activity. We looked at the Pumpkin Soup book together. We made our own pumpkin soup, we cut up lots of different vegetables, we used them inside and outdoors in our mud kitchen. This activity can be easily adapted for you to try at home!



Under 2's section

The under 2's section have also been following an Autumn theme and the children have enjoyed playing with a variety of different messy play activities. The children have been looking at the story book 'That's not my squirrel' and exploring the natural area where there are lots of woodland creatures, crunchy leaves and pinecones and a big tree for Mr Owl to sit upon!



The children love playing with coloured rice they scoop it, mix it, pour it, and it is so easy to make at home. You will need rice, poster paint and a zip lock bag.



Step 1 add some rice to a zip lock bag.



Step 2. add in 2 squirts of poster paint and mix together.



Step 3. leave to dry for around 2 hours, when you have finished you will have lovely coloured rice. Why not try adding some essence such as orange for a better sensory experience.