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Daycare Newsletter 0-2 room-February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Daycare, I hope that you and your families had an enjoyable half-term. Your children have settled so well with Sophie and Nicky and it has been an absolute privilege to watch them develop, learn and grow.

I would encourage you to continue to read and share as many books as possible as well as talking to your child, as this will set strong foundations for their language development.

Thank you for your support and please let us know if there is anything further we can do to support you and your children.

Vikki Cripps-Headteacher.

Dates for your diaries:

INSET DAYS- We are closed Monday 3rd March 2025, Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd April 2025 to all families. World Book Day – 6th March 2025 Easter Holidays- We close at 5pm on the Friday 4th April and term begins on Thursday 24th April

Our core Nursery Rhyme is - Old Macdonald

Recently in Baby Room we have noticed a huge interest in animals and Old MacDonald with many of our children enjoying singing the "E I E I O" part of the song. We will be extending this interest by introducing some Makaton signing to the children for different animals and exploring some animal books as well as other animal related activities. With Spring fast approaching, we would love to see any family photos of farm trips you may take with your families to put in our Family Book.



Cow (moo)



Sheep



Pig



Horse

World Book Day

On 6th March, it is World Book Day. Please feel free to send your child in with their favourite book and/ or dressed up as their favourite book Character. There is no pressure to purchase anything. We will be enjoying lots of story books and look forward to hearing about which books your children love at home.

Bottles

Please can everyone supply their child with their own water bottle. This would really help the team to diffrentiate between whose is whose. Please can water bottles and milk bottles be labelled or permanent marker pen their initials.

Labelling

With lots of need items for each child, please can we ask you label everything, so we can ensure it returns in the right bag after your child's day.

<u>Staffing</u>

We welcome our lovely student, Melissa, joining us in the 0-2 room. Melissa is currently at university studying BA Hons Early Childhood Studies. Melissa will be with us Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays until the summer.

Unfortunately, we are saying goodbye to Chelsea who helps the babies at lunchtime and 2-3 room. She will be taking on an exciting new role at another setting. We wish her all the luck in her new venture and know she will be missed here at Boundstone.

Communication and email addresses and numbers

We pride ourselves on ensuring we are always available and approachable for our families. Sometimes it isn't possible to have longer detailed chats beside the normal 'hello' and the hand over discussions, due to welcoming in children at the same time, but please, if you find yourself wanting to chat with your key carer privately, or to discuss concerns, please inform Sophie or Vikki and we will arrange a time, where we are able to give you our full attention and support. This can be arranged by calling the room on 01903 276862 or emailing Sophie on <u>Sblackband@boundstonenursery.co.uk</u> or Vikki on <u>vcripps@boundstonenursery.co.uk</u> Thank you for your understanding.

Appropriate weather

We really encourage our children to enjoy all experiences on offer and from time to time this may mean they will get messy or dirty. It really helps at this time of year, if your child comes into Baby Room with all the appropriate clothing.

Please do label all items of clothing.

If your child is unwell

As you can imagine germs and illnesses can spread very quickly in an environment like ours. If your child has sickness or diahorrea, then they must be away from Daycare for 48hours from their last bout. Please do not send your child into Daycare if they are in need of calpol, or have been given a dose that morning. We feel strongly that if a child needs calpol this is for a good reason and they should be at home in the warmth, having cuddles with their parent. If you are unsure regarding our medicines/sickness policy, please call the room and speak with a member of staff.

Families

We really work hard in Baby Room to ensure great relationships are made with the whole family. If you haven't done so already, please could you send in family photos and name who is who. Please see the 'My Family' board in the carpeted area for ideas if needed. We also invite you to email in photos to your keycarer for our 'Family Book.' This can be any photos of family times that you'd like to share with us. This is a great communication tool for us as we are able to have conversations with your children about fun things they have been doing.

Your Child's drawer-

All artwork, letters from Boundstone and your child's Learning Journal live in your child's drawer. We ask that you regularly check for any creative artwork or letters from us.

If you have any questions or queries, please communicate with us so we can help and support you as best we can.

Many thanks for reading our newsletter and for your support. If you have any queries or questions, we are always available to chat with you.

Kind regards, Leonie, Sophie, Nicky