



# Hollandbush Nursery Newsletter

October 2022



## Sponsored Cycle





Huge thank you to all who contributed towards our recent sponsored cycle and of course our fantastic children who cycled or scootered round the track. We were all very proud of you.

We are so grateful and have raised a whopping total of just under £2000!!!

The money will go towards children's gifts and party snacks throughout the year as well as using the money to buy some resources for the nursery. We will consult with the children and staff about what we should buy and if you recognise anything that should be bought for the nursery, please let us know!

Once again thank you so much for your kind donations and we greatly appreciate your

wonderful ongoing support.





## Parent/Carer Consultations

Our parent/carer consultations will commence week beginning the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2022. We are pleased to announce, your consultation will take place face to face with your child's keyworker as opposed to telephone appointments as carried out in previous years due to covid-19 restrictions. Your date and time will be confirmed in due course. If the date and the time does not suit, please get back to us and we will try and rearrange.

#### **Upcoming Events**



#### Halloween Party

This year our nursery Halloween Party will take place on **Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2022**.

Children who do not usually attend on a Wednesday are invited to come to the parties on this date. We will give you an invitation with the times confirmed.

Children are invited to come to nursery dressed up for Halloween. This is optional and we ask nothing too scary and please refrain from bringing in any props or accessories that come with the costumes.

Please put Halloween costumes over light clothing so your child can remove the costume if they get uncomfortable throughout their session.

We have lots of exciting fun Halloween experiences planned for the children.



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# NEWSFLASH!!!

Our nursery photographer, Ryan will be in the nursery on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> of October** to take the children's individual photos throughout their nursery session. We ask that your child comes to nursery ready in what you would like them to wear for their photographs. If you require any fine detail before their photo is taken, please provide this information to the keyworker who will happily oblige.

If your child does not attend on this date, please speak to a member of the staff team and we can arrange a suitable time for you to bring your child along to have their photograph taken.



## 'Happy Harmonies'

Due to popular demand, we have decided to open our music and nursery Rhyme class to our 3-5 room families. Alex who is one of our 3-5 room practitioners will now be joining Jenna with the class which takes place on a Friday morning. There will be a signup sheet outside both playroom doors if you are interested in joining us. It will take place in our Hobbit Hut. This is an opportunity for you to come along with your child to take part in some songs and Rhymes. We will be in touch once we gauge interest of families.



## Nursery Contributions

During Covid we were not taking any contributions to nursery funds or party snacks.

We are now in a position that we can accept £2.50 per week contributions to the nursery. These contributions are invaluable to the nursery and are greatly received. There is a contributions page on parent pay but if it is easier for parents, we can accept this in cash and can give you a receipt for your contribution.

These contributions go towards party snacks, Christmas presents, Santa Visits, Easter events and parties, productions for the children, and learning resources.

## Arrival Times



Just a little reminder about arrival times to the setting. We would appreciate if you could adhere to your child's session times where possible.

# Staff Top Tips

As the colder weather is upon us, please make sure your child has the essentials to keep them warm, including hats, scarves, and gloves. We will be continuing to use our outdoor areas daily throughout the winter months! Our playroom doors are always open to allow children free flow access to outdoors. This sometimes results in the playroom being slightly cooler, therefore we kindly ask you ensure your child has a jumper/cardigan to wear if needed. We also kindly ask all clothing is labelled.



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# Staffing Update

We have some exciting news to share with you all!!!

Hollandbush Nursery has a new Head of Establishment.

Kirsty Esplin will commence at Hollandbush on the 14th of November. Kirsty joins us from another local authority. She is currently a Depute Head and has a wealth of experience as Acting Head. She has worked in Early Years for over 14 years. Kirsty is very much looking forward to joining our team and meeting all our wonderful children and families.



## **Diary Dates**

October Holiday for children with a 38week contract (term time)

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Nursery Halloween Party

26<sup>th</sup> of October 2022

Inservice Day (Nursery closed to all children)

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022



#### What's on in the community...

The Full of Beans programme starts on Monday 24th October. This is a free programme for children aged 18months to 5 years old and their families. Follow the link to book your space at venues throughout SLC.



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