



Jelly Beans Open Air Newsletter

February 2020 - Spring Term

"Never help a child with a task at which he feels he can succeed"

Maria Montessori

February is here already and the new term is in full swing with the children exploring lots of activities. We have welcomed some new families to Jelly Beans and it's been lovely to see them settle in so well and be welcomed by all the children. We are expecting our first Ofsted inspection shortly and we sincerely hope to reach the current Outstanding Ofsted status that we hold at our Day Nursery site. Our dedicated staff team certainly deserve it with all the hard work they put in, however, a new Framework came into force in September and since then Outstanding judgements have been significantly fewer. Please be assured we shall endeavour and continue to strive to reach an Outstanding status.

Spring feels very near, the sun is shining, finally, and we look ahead for a year full of achievements and lots of fun for everyone at Jelly Beans.

Staff Changes

We welcome Miss Tara to Open Air as she has decided to move up from our Day Nursery and join our busy team. We really look forward to having Miss Tara on board and she will be a familiar face to many of the children who used to attend the Day Nursery.

We also welcome Miss Danni who initially joined us as a student and is now a key member of our bank staff and works at all 3 of our sites.

It is with great sadness that we are going to say farewell to Miss Joanne who has been a great asset to Jelly Beans and a wonderful Montessori teacher. She will be greatly missed and we wish her much happiness for the future.



Polite Notice:

Please may we ask that you bring your children in promptly for their sessions so we can ensure that all children are on site before the school children start to arrive.

If your child is unable to attend their session due to being unwell please phone and let us know.

We have a duty of care and need to monitor absence so please keep us informed. We also need to be aware of different illnesses for the wellbeing of all children. Staff are onsite from 7am and are happy to take your call. Thank you.



Blossom Education....

Our new observation software is now fully up and running and we are adding observations all the time to support your child's learning and development. However please bear with us whilst we get adjusted to the new system and ensure all profiles are up to date. If you still haven't received your access email from Blossom please let us know asap so you can access all the great facilities Blossom has to offer (remember to check your junk mail just in case). If you require any further support please don't hesitate to ask and thank you for your support during this transition.



Half termly Theme's....

This half term we have been exploring different themes within the preschool, with the main ones being Chinese New Year and looking at different types of germs in the environment



Names please....

Please can we ask that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name, especially including coats, jumpers, bags, wellies, drink bottles and lunchboxes, thank you.

Change of Clothes

Please can we ask that all children are provided with the relevant change of clothes for their time at Jelly Beans. We are out in the garden in all weathers and sometimes a change of clothes is required we also offer a range of different activities that involve water. Thank you for your cooperation.

Contact details.....

If you have recently moved home or had any change in your contact details please do let us know.

Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

14th February – Last day of pre-school (term time only children)

17th – 21st February – Half Term

24th February – Start of the new half term

2nd – 6th March – Parent Consultations

2nd – 6th March – World Book Week (children invited to dress as their favourite book character)

3rd April – End of Spring term (term time only children)

20th April – Start of Summer term

15th May – SUMMER TRIP TO BOYDELLS FARM

Family day out with Jelly Beans! Further details to follow

Thank you for your ongoing support
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