



The Lawns Nursery School July 2021 Newsletter

What an Extraordinary Year!

We can't believe how quickly this year has flown by and we are now only a few days away from saying a fond farewell to lots of our children and families. We would like to thank the children for giving us so much enjoyment in seeing how they have grown up and flourished as learners during their time with us. They have given us so many memories and lots of laughs along the way! We would also like to thank all of you for supporting the Nursery over what has been a challenging year. We have really missed having parents and carers drop in and out of Nursery at the start and end of session times. We are sure it has also been difficult for you watching them disappear through the mysterious doors into the classroom! Please do tell your friends and relatives about The Lawns Nursery School - word of mouth recommendations are always the best! I must also thank the fantastic team for all their hard work over the past year. I am so lucky to have such a committed and motivated team of Early Years professionals who value each and every child who attend here and work with the children's interests to progress their learning. If your child is leaving we hope that you have enjoyed reading their report and please do share it with them they love hearing how wonderful they are and what they have achieved!

All the staff at The Lawns Nursery School would like to wish you a happy and sunny summer. Good luck to all the children in their new schools in September. Please call in and see us if you are passing - we love to see how the children are progressing and developing.

For families staying with us next year we will be in touch early in September about the arrangements for drop off and pick up times when we have revisited our risk assessment in accordance with government guidelines.

The Children's Learning

We have had a fabulous time in the Nursery enjoying our forest school activities. These have involved using the fire pit this week. The children have learnt about fire safety generally and how important the fire service is when a fire needs to be controlled when it is not safe. They have however learnt that they can enjoy the fire pit if everyone ensures that keep to the rules to stay safe around it. The children (and adults!) have really enjoyed toasting marshmallows and of course eating them too.





Dates for your diary

Friday 16th July - End of term - Session times as usual.

Wednesday 1st September- Nursery closed — Inset training day for staff.

Thursday 2nd, Friday 3rd, Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th September - Nursery closed - Nursery Visits for new children joining The Lawns Nursery School.

Wednesday 8th September - Children return to Nursery.

Thursday 14th October — Playdough sale.

Friday 22nd October - Nursery closed — Inset training day for staff.

Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October - Nursery closed for half term holiday.

End of term bits and bobs!

We do endeavour to get all the children's bit and pieces together at the end of each session and we know how frustrating it can be if things get missed but keeping a calm atmosphere and ensuring the children's safety at collection time is our main priority. On the last day of term please check before leaving that you have...

- all of your child's belongings at the end of term e.g. items of clothing, lunch boxes, sun cream etc.
- all the children, who are leaving, should have been given their learning journeys to take home this week. If your child does not receive theirs please ask a member of staff. This is such a lovely memento of your child's time at The Lawns Nursery School.
- please remember to pay any outstanding invoices, thank you.

Teacher visits

We invited the children's new teachers to meet them at The Lawns as it is an environment in which they feel comfortable. Most of the children's next teachers have been able to attend and it has been wonderful watching the children show them their favourite Nursery activities. It fills us with pride to listen to them talking about their learning whilst showing off their in the moment planning sheets and journeys. It is amazing how much they remember and how much progress they have all made this year! We hope this helps to create a smooth transition for them in September.

Attachment Aware Schools Award

We are delighted to share that our Federation of Nursery Schools has been awarded the Attachment Aware Schools Award. Throughout the year staff training has focused on how young children's brains develop, how different experiences can affect this and how children's behaviour is a form of communication. We are more curious about why children's behaviour presents in certain ways and we look under the iceberg to develop strategies to assist the underlying cause rather than react to the outward presentation. The staff team feel that they have learned greatly from this training and those parents amongst us wish we had known some of this information when our children were young. We have therefore developed a summary leaflet for parents which we have attached to this newsletter and we hope you find it helpful.



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