

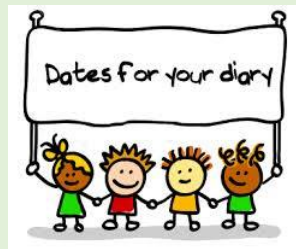
# SUMMER 2022 NEWSLETTER



## On the Move.....

The **Foxes & Hedgehogs** are swapping areas and the **children and key staff** have been enjoying their visits to their new homes.

From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022 the changeover will be complete and Foxes & Squirrels together with their staff members will be based in the Barn and the Hedgehogs & Owls together with their staff members, will be based in the Lower Annexe.



## **NURSERY INSET DAY**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

**Leavers Event**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

**10am -12pm**

**Last Day for Breakfast &  
After School Club**

**THURSDAY 21st JULY 2022**

**Last Day for School Leaver Children  
WEDNESDAY 31 AUGUST 2022**

**Breakfast & After School Club  
returns**

**MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2022**

Please ensure **your child has sun-cream applied before arriving at nursery**. It is possible to burn even when the weather is overcast.

Staff will top up as necessary during the day.

**SHOULDERS MUST BE COVERED  
NO VEST STYLE TOPS PLEASE.**

Thank you

## **CHILDREN STARTING RECEPTION IN SEPTEMBER 2022**

We are not able to claim funding for any transitional sessions booked by parents for September 2022.

These sessions will therefore be charged at full price as per the new September 2022 price list.

If you need any additional childcare during your child's transitional period to school please contact the office to request the sessions:

Email: [info@boomerang-kids.co.uk](mailto:info@boomerang-kids.co.uk)

We will be holding a 'goodbye' event for the children who are leaving us to go to school on:

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022 10am -12pm**

This is our inset day so the nursery is closed for all other children

Please check your Tapestry Account for further details and ensure we have your RSVP by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022



## Say Hello to our New Members of Staff

### Tori

joins the Foxes as an Apprentice Keyworker

### Rosie L.

joins the Owls as a Level 2 qualified Keyworker

### Carla

joins the Squirrels as a Level 3 qualified Keyworker

### Carla-Mae

swaps the world of midwifery for childcare and joins the Owls as an Assistant Keyworker

### Abigail

will be combining her college studies with practical workplace experience.



## Home Learning

The Summer is here! We are thinking about summertime this term and all of the changes this brings. We have spent some time **visiting the beach, thinking about all the creatures that might live there.** We would love to see some of your beach adventures too. We also feel that summertime is a great time to get physical! You could **practice riding a bike or scooter and playing ball games to improve hand and eye co-ordination.**

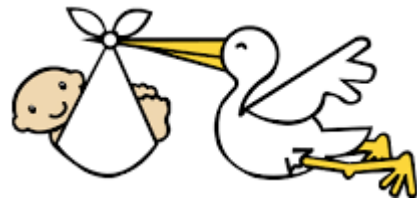
This term we are also **re-introducing dental health awareness as this is a key part of our new curriculum.** Could your child practice brushing their teeth at home? Could they talk to you about why brushing teeth is important? Should you be planning a visit to the dentist this term, we would love to hear all about it to help the children develop their understanding of the importance of dental hygiene.

As always, we love to hear about all the learning that goes on at home, so please upload anything wonderful to tapestry so that we can take a look...

## Boomerang Babies

**Kirsty** will be on maternity leave from mid-September. We wish her all the best with her new arrival.

We welcome back **Ewa & Rocio** who return from their maternity leave in August.



## HOUSEKEEPING

- Can parents please return our spare clothes so they are available for other children
- Can parents update their child's spare clothes bag with summer wear if they have not already done so.

*And Finally*

**PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, REMEMBER TO LABEL ALL ITEMS THAT COME INTO NURSERY.**

*Clothes, lunch boxes, water bottles, shoes.....*



## DfE Experts & Mentors Programme

In October 2021, the Department for Education (DfE) announced a plan to invest in the early years sector to strengthen the teaching and address the impact of the pandemic on this age group of children.

One of the ways DfE are supporting early years practitioners is through the DfE experts and mentors programme.

Early years professionals will fulfil the roles of:

- mentors, to provide online or remote support to early years practitioners as they complete a new online child development training package
- experts, to provide face-to-face support to leaders of settings
- area leads, to act as a first point of contact in their region for experts and mentors, and to provide face-to-face support to setting leaders

All roles will focus on helping children recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, including narrowing the gap between disadvantaged children and others.

We are pleased as a nursery to be able to support this initiative with members of our own team who have successfully applied and been accepted on this programme. **This requires some additional work on their part but will not affect the roles they current have here.**

*Congratulations to our resident Experts and Mentors  
Helen Connie & Leigh!*



# FINANCE MATTERS

## 30 HOURS DON'T FORGET TO RE- VALIDATE YOUR CODE!

Families should receive email or text reminders from the childcare service to **reconfirm their codes**. Please respond promptly to these reminders.

Boomerang Kids will also continue to issue alerts through our newsletters, so please log on to your childcare account to re-validate.

<https://www.gov.uk/childcareaccount>.

## INVOICES

Please note:

Invoices that show brackets around the total figure indicate a **CREDIT** balance.

Therefore if the invoice states  
**Total due for April (£100.00)**

This means £100.00 will be carried over towards payment on your May invoice and there is nothing for you to pay for April 😊

If in doubt please contact **Fiona**  
[finance@boomerang-kids.co.uk](mailto:finance@boomerang-kids.co.uk)

## ABSENCES/HOLIDAYS & TIME OFF

It is important that parents of **ALL ATTENDING CHILDREN** inform us if their child is going to be absent from nursery as we need to keep accurate attendance records for all our children.

**CHILDREN USING FUNDED HOURS** have their attendance audited by the Early Years Team at Brighton Council to ensure that free education places are used to their full potential

**If the absences total more than 15 days a term** we are required to inform them and this may then become a matter for further investigation by the council.

**Thank you for your co-operation**

## Children who qualify for EYE free funding from September 2022

will be getting an email in due course.

Please keep checking your email as these can sometimes go to Spam or Junk! Contact us if you haven't received anything or you would like further information.

To qualify your child must celebrate their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday between April 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 and August 31<sup>st</sup> 2022.

## Price Increase in September 2022

We opted for a small price increase in April 2022 following two years of deferring any increases due to the pandemic. As promised we will be increasing prices again in September 2022 as part of our usual annual review.