



Thursday 27th August 2020

Dear Parents/Carers **OF CHILDREN IN FOUNDATION STAGE 1 / DUCKLINGS**

In light of the current situation there have been several changes to arrangements for your child's transition into nursery. **We would encourage all parents/carers to wear a face covering on the school site please.**

On your child's start date, you received this with your offer email, please bring them to the nursery gate between 8.45 and 9am **OR** 12.30-12.40pm. A member of staff will be there to greet you and welcome your child into the nursery playground. **Please collect your child at 9.45am OR 1.30pm if this is their first session in nursery.** You will need to wait at the silver gate leading from High Street and a member of staff will bring your child to you there. This minimises the number of times parents/carers are on the school site.

On your child's second visit they will stay in nursery for two hours. **Please collect your child at 10.45am OR 2.30pm on their second day.**

For most children these shorter sessions will prepare them for the full session on their third day. **Collection will be from the nursery gate at 11.45am OR 3.30pm.**

If your child requires longer to settle we will work with you to support this. Shorter sessions may be needed for some children for a number of weeks, and this is not uncommon. Please speak to Mrs. Alton to arrange this.

At the start of the school day/morning nursery session please leave the school site via the gates at the back of the playground and go back onto High Street that way. This also applies at the end of the school day/afternoon nursery session. **At the end of the morning session and the start of the afternoon session please go out the same way you came in.** During the school day the playground gate is kept locked.

WATER BOTTLES: Please make sure your child comes to school every day with a bottle of fresh water. **YOUR CHILD'S BOTTLE MUST ONLY HAVE WATER IN IT and IT SHOULD HAVE A SPORTS LID TO AVOID SPILLAGES.** Please make sure your child gets into the habit of bringing their water bottle home after school so it can be refilled with fresh water. Water bottles should be clearly named so your child can easily identify their bottle.

SNACK: £5 is payable per term for snack that your child will have access to every day. You may pay this termly or in larger amounts; for example £10 will cover your child's snack money until January, or £30 will pay the snack money for the year. It is entirely your choice. When you pay your child's money please make sure their name is ticked on the list. Snacks provided include toast, crackers and cheese, yoghurts, cereal and pizza. The snack for the day is clearly displayed on the kitchen door for your information. During each session, children will also have access to



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fruit, milk and water. If your child has a specific food allergy please make sure staff are made aware, and please be aware that we may ask you to provide specific food items such as dairy free cheese/yoghurts.

LEARNING JOURNEYS: Your child's Learning Journey is online via Tapestry. You will have a unique log in code that you can use to look at this at any time. Staff will put photographs and comments on this so you can see your child playing and learning in nursery, and you can do this with things from home. If you have any problems accessing Tapestry please ask for help as notices, ECaT and newsletters will be shared on there.

CLOTHING: Please make sure any uniform your child wears to school is clearly named. This is especially important for school sweatshirts, cardigans and coats. If your child comes to you at the end of the session without their cardigan or sweatshirt please send them back to collect it so that we don't have clothes left at the end of sessions – having items named makes this so much easier! Clothes that are left at the end of the session will be put in a box because your child's peg also belongs to another child who attends the alternate session to the one that they do so items can't be left hung on it. **In the nursery children have access to outdoor learning for a large part of the session and with this in mind please make sure your child always has appropriate clothing, for example a waterproof and weatherproof coat, suitable footwear, a hat, gloves etc. If hot weather is forecast you should apply sun cream to your child before they come to school. NO SCARVES PLEASE. Thank you.**

JEWELLERY: CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO WEAR ANY JEWELLERY TO NURSERY. THIS INCLUDES PLAY JEWELLERY, BRACELETS, WATCHES & EAR-RINGS (other than plain studs). Please support us with this.

Please find a list of dates below. These will be updated as necessary weekly so please do keep checking them for changes/additions.

Your child's safety, well-being and happiness will always be a top priority for us throughout the year. If there is something worrying your child, please let us know – little things can quickly escalate if they are not dealt with. If you are not able to speak to your child's class teacher at the beginning of the day please feel that you can pop up to the office to see me, or catch me around school if you have any concerns or worries about anything you feel may affect your child's education. It is very important we are kept informed so that we can ensure your child receives the best care and education. Please also remember to let us know if your immediate contact details change, especially mobile phone numbers.

If you ever need to make contact with school after we have closed please be aware that you can send a text via Teachers2Parents, (07786208446) or by email, headteacher@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk I will usually pick up messages from both or one of these sources until about 10pm, and of course, if you need me to, I will contact you. Sometimes there may be something worrying or upsetting your child and you might not be able to get to the bottom of it – please do not feel you have to worry all night!

You can log onto our website at www.tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk or contact us via email info@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk or headteacher@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk, or phone



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01773 872571. If we are not in the office when you phone you will hear a lovely answer phone message from one of our Year 2 pupils – just leave your message and we'll get back to you. Weekly newsletters can also be found on our website.

Have a good rest of Summer holiday,

Zoë Andrews



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