



Our Autumn Newsletter 2015

Staff Changes

We have had some staff changes over the course of the summer. We have now welcomed some new staff members who are fully settled in here at Feversham First Steps Day Nursery.

Jade— previously a room leader at a nursery in Leeds, a qualified level 3 with 4 years experience in childcare and a mum of one.

Shanila— Level 3 practitioner with over 10 years experience working with children.

Rebecca— a level 3 qualified practitioner also previously worked as a room leader with 5 years experience.

Maria— a level 3 trained practitioner with training and experience working with children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Claire— a qualified teacher will be joining us in the Clever Caterpillars.

She has previously worked as a manager for a before and after school club.

Unfortunately, we said a sad goodbye to some of our long term staff.

Becky has gone on after all her training and development here to become a Deputy Manager at a new setting in Shipley.

Julie has left us to take on a Deputy Manager role which is more office based in another setting

Shohaida has left us to go on to study at Leeds University.

We continue to take on students who enjoy their time here with us and learn and develop in house. We also have a new staff board up in the foyer so parents can get to know all staffs names.

A big thank you to all the staff for their continuous hard work.

Harvest Festival and Bradford Food Bank

The staff and myself have worked really hard over the past few weeks, the children really enjoyed the Harvest Festival week. Thank you to all the staff, children and parents who took part in dressing up along with food donations. The children really enjoyed the weeks activities, the tasting, printing and investigation of seasonal fruits and vegetables as well as making their own Harvest Festival hats and pictures. The Bradford Food Bank came to pick up the food that was collected and were really grateful for our large donation to help those in need in the community they have also offered us vouchers to help any of our parents in need

A Great BIG thank you everyone! WELL DONE!!

Embedding outstanding practice

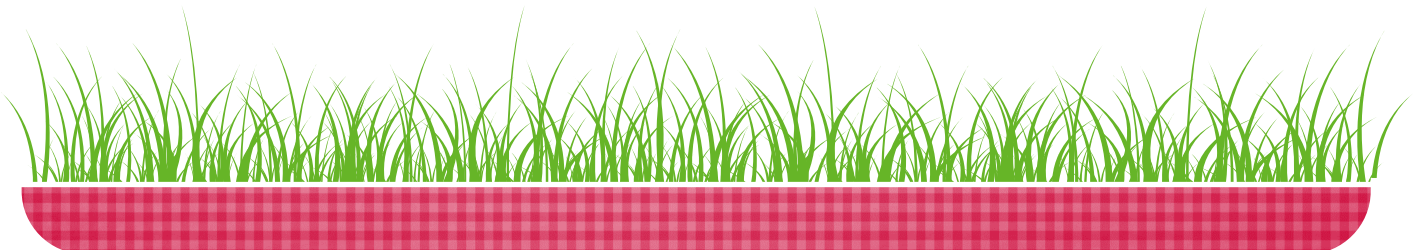
The staff have been working really hard since September to embed our new routine in the setting. This includes two daily circle times where staff discuss children's weekend books, as well as star of the week, the nursery bear and dogs activities. We are also looking at colours of the week, seasons and the weather during circle time

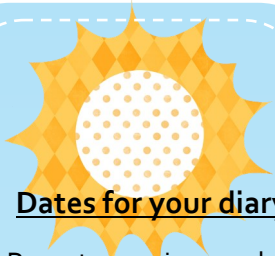
Children are being encouraged to develop independence through self serving drinks, snack and self serve lunches— something which is key in helping our children develop into confident, independent children.

We have also been looking at planning focussed activities which help the children develop in all areas of the EYFS.

Our planning is done through a child led approach, which adults then help the children by offering a greater knowledge

“Your child will decide when to leave you to explore. If they feel like climbing or finding acorns in the undergrowth, it is their curiosity that is driving their learning. You become a 'learning ally' when you understand your child needs to direct their own Learning”.





Dates for your diary

Parents evening week
W/c 9th November
2015

Please remember to
book with your key
worker

End of term date:
18th December 2015

We return to nursery:
Monday the 4th January
2016

Christmas jumper day 18th December

Can children please wear
a Christmas jumper on
December the 18th and
bring a £1 donation to go
to Help Santa?

We will be having a
Christmas party on this day
and may receive a visit from
a special guest??

Monday 14th December

3.15pm Children's
Christmas Nativity

Celebration dates

Diwali

11th November 2015

Hanukkah

6th December 2015

Christmas

25th December 2015

Tapestry

We are continually developing here at nursery and would like to keep you up to date with your children's daily activities at nursery as well as their developmental progress.

We have now signed up with a new program called Tapestry. It is an online tool we can use regularly to communicate with parents as well recording all the learning and fun of children's early years education.

Tapestry is available for most phones and tabs via the app and play store. Please have a look and see if this is available for you to download. We will provide you with login details in due course and it may take a week or two for us to set up.

Outdoors

As the cold weather is approaching, please can parents provide children with a named hat, scarfs and gloves as well as outdoor coats and wellington boots.

Exploring the outdoors is a big part of our daily routine.

Parent Information

Evening

We are going to have an information evening here at Feversham First Steps, Day Nursery welcoming parents into the setting. We shall be looking at child led play and how we plan around individual children, some of the things covered will be our planning at nursery, the importance of play in child development and how you can do activities at home with your children to improve their developmental progress.

We will also provide you with information and guidance.

Thursday 19th of November@6pm

Snacks and Refreshments will be provided .

Partnership Working

Every Week we will have a star of the week and if your child is star of the week you will be told by the staff what fantastic achievement they have done to deserve the certificate that week.

Please can we remember to bring our weekend books into the setting as often as possible. The children get the opportunity to share what they have done at home over the week with their friends at circle time.

We can also use these to share information with parents about nursery.

We now have George the Bear and Spencer the Dog that children can take home. Can you please remember to bring these back on time so all children can get a chance to take these home

Thank you



"I am really pleased about how my baby has settled into nursery, the staff are friendly and all her needs are being met" baby butterfly parent

