

# CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Kind Hearts

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our children who have returned after their Summer Holidays – look how much you have grown!

A HUGE warm welcome to our fabulous new children who have just started their journey with us here at Crossens Nursery School. It is so lovely to see you and we are, as ever, very lucky to have such caring, happy and enthusiastic children in our Nursery.

Here is our first newsletter of the year!

# Staffing

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome some wonderful new additions to our Staff team:

Miss Williams is now our Lead Practitioner in our Big Room

Mrs Annesley has moved into the Big Room from our Purple Room and she is our Key Worker for Green Group

Mrs Dutton has joined us as a Midday Welfare Assistant

I am delighted to lead this wonderful team here at Crossens Nursery School and we all continue to endeavour to give our children the very best love, care and education that we can.

# Would you like to join us?

We are currently advertising two posts: an Administration Assistant and a Level 2 Teaching Assistant for our Purple Room. Please speak to myself or Miss Mort if you would like further information. You can also see our website and Facebook page for the links.

#### **Early Days**

Our new children are settling really well. We are taking things at a steady pace to give them time to build new relationships, explore new opportunities and enjoy new experiences – all vital for their growing confidence and independence. Thank you for your patience and understanding with our transition process.

The children who have returned to Nursery are doing a wonderful job helping their new friends to learn our routines and enjoy their time at Crossens Nursery School.

#### **Diary Dates:**

# **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, we will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning here at Crossens Nursery School. More details about this will follow but do pop the date in your diary and come and join us for coffee and cake!

#### **Autumn Assembly**

This will be held on Friday 20th October at 9.30am for children attending our three and four year old provision.

#### Half term

We break up for half term on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October and we reopen to the children on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Please see our website for additional term time dates.

#### **Packed Lunches**

The Nursery School operates a Healthy Eating Policy and we ask parents and carers to pack a balance of food, avoiding sweets, chocolate and sugary drinks.

We are a 'pineapple-free' Nursery in order to ensure that known allergies are managed and that our children are kept safe.

We kindly ask that pineapple is not brought into school in packed lunches.



To avoid choking, please slice grapes and large blueberries into quarters and we ask that nuts are not included in lunch boxes for the same reason.

For further information about healthy packed lunches, see our Parents' Noticeboard in the Conservatory or speak to a member of our team.

#### **Attendance**

Please can you ring the office on **01704 228624** if your child is too ill to attend Nursery School or has an appointment.

Keep us up to date with contact numbers if you get a new mobile phone.

## Just a few requests:

#### Jewellery

Jewellery can be easily broken or damaged during a fun-filled day at Nursery and may even cause harm to a child, if caught or snagged. We respectfully ask that jewellery is not worn at Nursery, with the exception of small ear studs.

# Names in clothing

To reduce lost belongings, please label all items of clothing brought into Nursery.

#### **Nappies**

For speed and ease of changing, we request that normal nappies (with sticky tabs) are brought into Nursery, rather than the nappy pants. Pull Ups are, of course, still fine for those who are potty training.

We will endeavour to work alongside your preferences, but we also want to reduce the time that children are away from their learning whilst being changed.

# SNACK MONEY - £10 per half term

Children are given snack at
Nursery in the morning and
afternoon. Each half-term we ask
parents and carers for £10 to
contribute to cost of this for the children.
From this fund, we also purchase our
ingredients for making our own playdough and
any other consumable resources needed for the
classroom. Please pay this in cash to the school
office.

#### We did it!

Crossens Nursery School has been awarded the Bronze Award for becoming an Attachment and Trauma Sensitive Setting. I am so proud of our wonderful team who have undertaken training, outside their working day, to learn techniques, strategies and how best we can support our children to feel safe and secure at Nursery.

My thanks go to our incredibly caring team and to our very supportive parents and families.



Mrs Beth Brice, Headteacher