

Somerville Nursery School

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SOMERVILLE FEDERATION

Newsletter – November 2024

Now taking applications for January & April 2025

Children in Need



Friday 15th November is Children in Need Day. As a school we always support this charity. This year we invite our children and staff to wear their own / spotty clothes for a donation of £1. Staff will have collection buckets for the donations.

January 2025

Please note that we will be welcoming new children to the nursery in January and some children will be transitioning to new classes. Look out for more information soon!

Fruit and snacks

Children are provided with a healthy snack at each session. This can be a selection of fruit, crackers, plain biscuits, cheese, breadsticks, fruit bread etc. and a drink of milk or water. **It is becoming increasingly difficult to fund fresh fruit for children. We ask for a small donation of £1 per week.** Pay weekly or every half term via your child's class teacher or at the office.

Odd Socks / Anti-bullying

On **Tuesday 12th November** wear odd socks! Odd Socks Day forms part of Anti-Bullying Week, which is happening from Monday 11th to Friday 15th November and has the theme 'Choose Respect'.



Happy Diwali!

This year Diwali fell on 31st October, in half term. Diwali is celebrated by both the Hindu and Sikh communities around the world. We would like to wish our Hindu and Sikh families and those in our community a 'Happy Diwali'. If you want to know more about this celebration follow this link:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-diwali>



Toileting

Most of our F1 (Butterfly children) are out of nappies – Well Done! We are now focusing on supporting children who are ready to take that next step.

Healthy Start

The Healthy Start scheme helps low income parents of young children buy fruit, vegetables, pulses, milk, first infant formula and also provides free vitamins. Please check and see if you are eligible!

<https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply/>

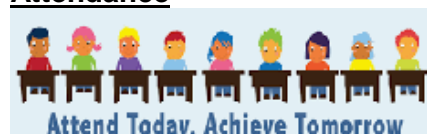


Applying for Primary School

If your child was born between 01/09/2012 & 31/08/2021, they will be due to start school in September 2025. Applications close on January 15th 2025

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/step-by-step/apply-primary-school-place>

Attendance



Early Years Education provides children with the foundations for their future learning. Children need to attend nursery and be on time or they miss out on key learning opportunities. **Please ALWAYS contact us if your child is going to be absent from school by telephone or email.**



Evidence Me

Please make sure that you are set up on 'Evidence Me'. So that you can keep up to date on what's happening in nursery! Should you have any difficulties accessing Evidence Me, please contact us and we will be happy to help. **Please note we do not provide regular observations / photo uploads. This is to ensure that staff can focus on high quality interactions with your child, scaffolding & supporting their development. However, you will receive termly photo journals.**

Social Media

We are now on Instagram! Follow us by scanning this QR code or by searching somervillenursery



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Key dates for autumn term 2:

- Tuesday 5th November** – Dear Zoo trip to the Floral Pavilion theatre
- Wednesday 6th November** - 9.45-11.45 or 12.45-2.45 Parent / carer First Aid course
- 11th –15th November** – Nursery Rhyme week
- Monday 11th November** – Art for Wellbeing parent / carer course 10am-12pm
- Tuesday 12th November** - Odd Socks Day (part of Anti-Bullying Week) Wear odd socks!
- Thursday 14th November** – HENRY course (fussy eating & oral health) 9.30-11.30am
- Thursday 14th November** – Fine motor fun with your child. Join us for playdough activities in Butterfly & Caterpillar classes. Morning children 11.30am Afternoon / all day children 3.00pm
- Friday 15th November** – Children in Need Day – Spotty theme! (Please do not spend money on a special outfit. We will be doing lots of fun things in nursery and ask for a voluntary donation where possible – all proceeds will go to this worthwhile cause.)
- 17th-23rd November** - Road safety week
- Monday 18th November** – Art for Wellbeing parent / carer course 10am-12pm
- Thursday 21st November** – HENRY course (behaviour & sleep) 9.30-11.30am
- Thursday 21st November** – Gross motor fun with your child. Join us for movement and music activities in Butterfly & Caterpillar classes. Morning children 11.30am Afternoon / all day children 3.00pm
- Monday 25th November** – Art for Wellbeing parent / carer course 10am-12pm
- Thursday 28th November** – HENRY course (diet & oral health) 9.30-11.30am
- Thursday 28th November** – Relaxation session with your child. Join us for relaxation activities in Butterfly and Caterpillar classes. Morning children 11.30am Afternoon / all day children 3.00pm
- Thursday 5th December** – Family fun (activity to be advised) - Join us in Butterfly and Caterpillar classes. Morning children 11.30am Afternoon / all day children 3.00pm
- Wednesday 11th December** – Christmas songs and craft with parents / carers am & pm
- Thursday 12th December** – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day (donations on the day. Children will be taking part in lots of exciting activities. However, we DO NOT expect you to buy a jumper / T-shirt especially for the event!)
- Wednesday 18th December** – Christmas Party day
- Friday 20th December** – last day of term for children
- Monday 6th January** – INSET day (staff only)
- Tuesday 7th January** – school opens for spring term 1

Wednesday every week is Library Day
Please remember to bring your bag to nursery!