



Queensway Chapel Nursery September 2017 Newsletter



Welcome back! We welcome back all the children and their families who had the summer holidays off. We also welcome all the new children and their families who are joining us for the first time.

We will be saying Goodbye to Karen Rendell who will no longer be working with us as Supply.

Dates for your diary

18th—22nd Sept	Harvest week (more details to follow)
Sat 30th September	MacMillan coffee morning 9:30 – 11:30
Wed 18th October	Concept Photographers will be in from 10:45 til 14:00 Last day of term for term-time only Children
19th—27th October	Holiday club
Mon 30th October	First day of term—Nursery open to Everyone

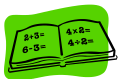
GRAPES

We would like to remind all parents to always cut grapes in half (lengthways). It doesn't matter how old or how good at chewing your child is, grapes are the perfect size to completely block a child's windpipe and once it's lodged there it's almost impossible to get out and blocks their whole airway.



Is your child starting school in September 2018

The deadline for applications is
15th January 2018
you can apply on line at
www.wiltshire.gov.uk



IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING COLLECTION OF YOUR CHILD

If a child is not being collected by any of their named contacts - we will require advance notice of who is to be collecting them and that person **MUST** have the password and **MUST** be 16 years or over.

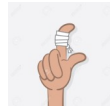
Just having the password will **NOT** be sufficient to allow someone to collect your child – **YOU MUST INFORM US IN ADVANCE.**

Could you please also ensure that you collect your child on time— if you are late collecting we may have to ask staff to stay on which will result in you incurring a £10 charge.

Please remember that you are responsible for signing your child in and out on the register. This helps to ensure that all children are safe within the setting.

Pre-existing injuries

Can parents please remember that if your child comes into nursery with any injuries or marks, you will need to let a member of staff know when you drop them off. We will then give you a pre-existing injury form to fill out.



Thank you

Dogs

If you are walking your child to Nursery with your dog, could you please be aware that some people are nervous of dogs and we would ask that you do not tie them up where people have to walk right next to them to get into Nursery. Thank you

Hedgehogs (3-5's)

This term we will be looking at healthy eating and talking about Harvest time. We will be doing a range of activities to promote healthy living, such as creating food plates, cooking and looking at where different foods come from. We also have our own healthy eating cafe where the children will be able to act out their experiences and serve food to their friends.



Owls (2 year olds)



As we come into Autumn we will be looking at how the trees and plants change colour. We will be finding out which fruits we can harvest and taste, doing leaf prints, painting with foods and exploring textures.

We will need to find our coats, hats and scarves ready for the colder, windy weather and talk about how to protect ourselves against the weather.

Caterpillars (Babies)



This term our topic & theme will be based on harvest. We will be looking at foods that are in season such as apples, pears, avocados, broccoli, blackberries & parsnips. We will also be looking at autumn, the colours, leaves and the clothes we wear. Our activities will consist of food tasting, autumn colour painting, messy play such as gloop & play dough and using our dressing up clothes to encourage independence & understanding of how to put our clothes on.

Parent mail



We have just signed up with ParentMail to enable us to text all our parents more easily. You will shortly be receiving a text message asking you to register with them. As we only intend to use this service for texting it might not be necessary to register if you do not want to (hopefully we should still be able to text you if you have provided us with your mobile number).

Christmas is coming....

Over the next few months things will start building up for Christmas. Listed below are a few ideas that may help.

- Books and gifts are often on show in the reception area. These are available to order, the price lists are put up and are always a lot lower than the price printed on the back of the book. Payment is needed with the order and the goods will be waiting for you by the end of the day stated on the order form.
- We will be having a stall at the Town Xmas Fayre again this year and would welcome any donations for our tombola stall—the money we raise from this goes towards the cost of the entertainer for the children's xmas party.
- Remember the photographer is coming and they make fantastic Christmas gifts.