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NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2024

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FREE CARE NOW AVAILABLE (TODDLERS & PRESCHOOL)

We specialize in full wrap around care from 9 months to 11 years at Padiwacks. We have qualified teachers and three staff qualified to level 6 in childcare, including twenty other team members who have level 3 childcare qualifications.

Our homemade meals are included and you can choose when you want your sessions for the

15 & 30 hours FREE childcare. The free childcare applies to eligible two year old's and all three and four year old children.

Email Padiwacks@gmail.com



NEW BABY ROOM PLACES NOW AVAILABLE

Our new baby room is now open for children aged from 9 months. Places are now available. Our setting covers over 4,000 square feet of space dedicated to childcare email padiwacks@gmail.com



OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

We plan every week for the children and aim to give them unique fun experiences. Our theme this year is 'around the world' covering various weeks, enabling the children to learn about different countries, historical events and cultures. In April we have the following planned:-

wc 1st April 2024 - Easter Hols week 1

wc 8th April 2024 - Easter Hols week 2

wc 15th April 2024 - Titanic

wc 29th April 2024 - Dance Week

INTERNET ONLINE SAFETY

We do explain to all the children about internet safety at Padiwacks. We also have dedicated boards highlighting internet safety and take the matter very seriously at Padiwacks. We also have a 'mobile phone and social networking policy' which we've had in place for many years and this covers internet safety. It's important that we all safeguard and protect our children online. We'd recommend all parents go to <https://www.childnet.com/> to access internet safety for your children. If you have any questions please speak to Tracey. We have also previously handed out information to Parents and will once again provide ongoing reminders.

APRIL EVENTS

1st - Easter Monday

1st to 12th - Easter Holidays

1st April to 10th May - National Pet Month

2nd - International Children's Book Day

7th - World Health Day

11th to 12th - Eid

15th - World Art Day

15th - Anniversary of the Titanic

21st - Charlotte Bronte's Birthday

21st - The London Marathon

22nd to 30th - Passover

22nd - Earth Day

22nd to 28th - Allergy Awareness Week 2024

23rd - Shakespeare's Birthday

23rd - St. George's Day

27th - Morse Code Day

28th - Superhero Day

We aim to participate in a number of events every month and will link to our curriculum / Early Years Foundation Stage if appropriate for nursery aged children. In respect to Out of school care and our Holiday club we may plan activities, or arts and crafts as per the planning and children's interests.



OUTSIDE PLAY AREA

We are going to be working on our outside area to enhance the environment. The outside play forms an essential part of learning and development and we take all the areas of learning outside. We even plan for snow days (you never know in Easter), rainy days and all sorts of eventualities.

WELLINGTONS, OUTSIDE CLOTHING AND TRIPS

Our outside learning also extends into the community, local woods and we strongly recommend children bring in wellingtons (clearly labelled and a spare pair is advised if possible) and a decent warm coat. Please also note that the children may get a bit messy.



LANCASHIRE WALK AND TALK

We are continuing to support and work with the Lancashire Walk and Talk Initiative. Walk and Talk is about inspiring families to go outside and communicate with each other. Talking to young children during everyday activities can help them learn communication skills such as: listening, attention, turn taking in a conversation and learning new words



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HOLIDAY CLUB EASTER

- We will be providing holiday club throughout Easter.
- Open from 7am to 6:15pm.
- The fees are from £25.
- Our fees are all inclusive with no hidden costs and include: homemade meals, snacks, transportation and entry to events
- Our own mini bus will also take a group of children on daily trips
- Planned activities which will include Easter activities (check our website holiday care section for more details)

PARENTS MEETING

Natalie is now the new Parents Coordinator and will be holding a meeting on
Wednesday 17th April 2024 at 4:30pm.
All parents are welcome to attend but please confirm your attendance to Natalie or Olivia.



PARENTS TERM FEEDBACK

The parent feedback week will continue into April 2024. We will be going through each child's development and progress. We follow the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) throughout our nursery. If you require any further information then please let us know.

PARENTS OPEN PLAY SESSION

We are inviting parents to attend our setting and join in activities with children on **Wednesday 17th April 2024.** You could help with arts and crafts, outside play activities, reading stories or anything which you find interesting which helps the young children. Please speak to Natalie or Olivia if you are interested.

WHAT HAVE YOUR NURSERY CHILDREN BEEN DOING?

We want to know what your children have been doing at home or where they've been so we can link to their planning, what they've learned at home (milestones) and practically anything that helps us to get the best out of your children including trips to the zoo, holidays etc. The bond between parents, children and staff is really important. You can contact us via the online learning journal, speak to us face to face outside (we will of course be wearing a mask). phone us on 01282 778018 or send an email to: sales@padiwacks.co.uk

SCHOOL TERM DATES (Lancashire County Council)

Spring Term

Starts: Monday 8 January 2024

Half term: Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February 2024

Ends: Thursday 28 March 2024

Summer Term 2024

Starts: Monday 15 April 2024

May Day: Monday 6 May 2024

Half term: Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May 2024

Ends: Monday 22 July 2024

PADIWACKS LIBRARY

We now have library books available on our ground and middle floor entrances for both nursery and out of school children. We would like children to take the books home so please help yourself to the books and then bring them back. In respect to the nursery children please feedback anything useful or helpful and we will add it to the planning for you child.



ELECTRONIC LEARNING JOURNALS

We use electronic learning journals at our nursery so you can track your child's development securely online. We will work closely with families to create a strong partnership to ensure we get the best start for your children.



COATS AND BAGS

Can we please remind parents to kindly ensure all the coats and bags are clearly labelled. We have over 4,000 square feet of space with four different cloakrooms.

