

January & February 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Little Stars, we believe in cultivating an environment where children are free to make choices, learn at their own pace, and gain the confidence to build positive relationships with the people around them. Our aim is to build a nursery where children and their families feel welcome and appreciated. So, thank you to all those parents who have and continue to support us.

At Little Stars, our children have the opportunity to safely engage in daily activities such as visiting the post office, the local shops and other local amenities as well as enjoying the beautiful parks nearby. We aim to provide children with the opportunity to embrace nature, explore, and experiment.

Being outdoors in all weathers allows children to assess risks safely, make choices, and use all their senses to learn about the world around them as well as adopting healthy lifestyle habits.

Why Choose Little Stars Day Nursery

- Qualified & Experienced Staff
- Approachable and Open-door Policy with Management
- Safe & Inspiring Learning Environment
- Delicious & Nutritious Home Cooked Food
- Exciting Outdoor Play & Learning Areas
- Flexible Childcare Options
- Respect is one of the core beliefs of our practice.
- Small, family business in the local community
- Work in partnership with parent/carers for the benefit of the child

Reviews on  daynurseries.co.uk

Little Stars Day Nursery has a **Review Score of 9.5 (9.538) out of 10** based on reviews in the last 2 years. Over all time Little Stars Day Nursery has 21 reviews with an average **'Overall Experience' of 4.7 out of 5.**



Your feed back matters and supports us little businesses in the community, saves jobs and keeps an education setting open to support and develop children over the years. We are the Early Years Educators; we make a huge difference to your child going into school. The first 5 years are very important and I am sure you also would agree. If you are happy to submit a review let us know, we shall forward a link to your email. Thank you.

Lateness of pickups:

We are finding a lot of parents arriving late to pick up their children. Just a reminder there is a **late charge of £8 for the first 10 mins and then £1 every minute.**

Sickness & Illness:

Covid; Flu and Scarlett Fever. As I write this, the Government had issued 'Back to school advice'. This includes adults and children staying at home if they are unwell. We have added the advice to our website as the handouts we sent a few weeks ago. Please help us to all stay safe.

We still have so many children coming in with fevers, runny noses, chesty coughs. WE WILL SEND YOUR CHILD HOME. If this continues, we will be seeing this as neglect towards your child. You're not being fair to other children or staff who look after your child. Please be thoughtful and take precautions.

Invoice payments:

Please pay between the 1st-3rd of every month to avoid getting fined. If any reason please let Manager know. Any queries with finances contact Reena.

Other Reminders – please read:

- ★ Please remember to put your child's name in all items of clothing including sweatshirts, coats, hats, and bags.
- ★ It is important that your child wears sensible shoes to enable them to climb and run with control. NO LACES or BIG CHUNKY BOOTS.
- ★ We recommend that your child does not wear jewellery to nursery –only stud earrings for safety reasons.
- ★ The use of a mobile phone is NOT allowed in the school.
- ★ For your child's safety please ensure that patio doors and gates are CLOSED at all times. Don't forget the main gate must be secured at all times! It's a little stiff so we know it can't be opened by a child but please remember.
- ★ Contact details Please make sure that your correct telephone numbers are on your contact form in the nursery office. If you have changed your numbers', you MUST let the team know in case we need to contact you if your child becomes ill or of an emergency.
- ★ Hope children who are moving to Reception class September 2023 have now made their applications to the Council website of your Boroughs as the last date was 15th January 2023.

Events, festivals and other important dates for diary:

- ★ Last day of term **9th Thursday** Feb
- ★ Inset day **10th Friday** Feb CLOSED
- ★ Half term week **13-17th Feb** CLOSED for holidays
- ★ Re-open **20th Monday** @ 9am for everyone
- ★ Valentine's day – **14th Tuesday** Feb - wishing everyone
- ★ Pancake day – **21st Tuesday** Feb – yummy in the tummy

Thank you, Nursery Manager