

# Yokerburn Nursery

## Parent Newsletter January 2025



### REDUCED SERVICE

Firstly, we would like to thank all of parents and carers for your support and understanding during the current staffing situation. Running a reduced service is a last resort and is only put in place to ensure safe adult to child ratios throughout the nursery day. Our Area Manager is aware of the situation and is trying to locate staff from other establishments to help. Unfortunately, the situation is still on a week-to-week basis and we will do our best to keep parents and carers updated on the hours we are able to offer each week. Thank you again for your patience and understanding at this time.



### DONATIONS

We are currently unable to accept any further donations of toys or clothes at this time. The generosity shown by all of our parents & carers is greatly appreciated and it is lovely that you always think of Yokerburn for any items that can be reused. At present we are unable to accept anything further as we have received so many donations in the past few months. Our pantry is still open so if you do wish to make a donation we can accept the following items to stock up our pantry: dried pasta, tinned foods, nappies, soups, long lasting foods etc. Our pantry is situated at the entrance to the main office and is available for those in need to help themselves to anything they may require.



### WINTER CLOTHING

The weather is still very cold at the moment. We would ask that you please ensure that your child comes to nursery with a warm waterproof jacket, scarf, hat, gloves, wellies and a bag (with a spare change of clothing). If the day is mild we would ask that you please put these warmer items in your child's nursery bag as the weather can change very quickly. The children play outside every day and warm clothing ensures to make this experience as enjoyable as possible.

If your child is currently toilet training we would ask that you please bring a bag containing several full changes of clothes including multiple pairs of pants to ensure your child has enough changes for their nursery day.



### 3-5 PARENTS EVENINGS

We are looking to hold parent's meetings on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February** for the 3-5 parents & carers. Your child's keyworker will be in touch to arrange a time. This will be a short meeting to discuss your child's progress at nursery and transition to school if they are due to start school in August.



### WINTER ILLNESS

If your child is unwell and unable to attend nursery we would ask that you please contact us by phone on 0141-952-9962 at your earliest convenience.

We would also like to remind parents/carers that if your child has experienced any sickness and/or diarrhoea they must be off nursery for **48 hours from the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea**. This is vitally important to prevent the spread of illness within the nursery.

We would ask that you please consider if your child will be happy to attend nursery when they are unwell. Although children can attend if suffering from a cold or mild illness they may not be feeling themselves within the playroom environment and may not feel entirely comfortable. We would ask that you please consider this before sending your child to nursery unwell.

If your child takes unwell at nursery we may call you to request that your child is collected. This is only done in the best interest of the child and we would ask that you please arrange collection of your child as soon as you can.



### CHILD SAFETY

To ensure the safety and security of the children during their time at nursery we would like to remind all parents and carers that we operate a no phone policy within the nursery. We would ask that all parents and carers please store their phone in their bag or pocket when you are inside the nursery building. Please do not take phonecalls or have your phone out within the nursery environment - thank you!

We would also like to remind the 3-5 parents & carers not to enter the playrooms. Please knock the door and a staff member will bring your child out to you. This ensures that the staff know at all times who is entering and leaving the playrooms and ensures that the registers are updated accordingly.



### CARE PLANS

Children's Care Plans are reviewed termly to ensure information is up to date and accurate at all times. Please see your child's keyworker who will provide you with your child's care plan to allow you to review the information and add any updates if required.



### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025** - TERM TIME HOLIDAY

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025** - TERM TIME HOLIDAY

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025** - IN SERVICE DAY (Nursery closed to all children)

A list of the holiday dates for 2025 are available from the office.