

Colinton Private Nursery



We would like to welcome Conor, Ruby, Matthew, Magnus and Oscar to the nursery this month. We hope you all settle well at Colinton Private Nursery.

Please note, Joanne is on annual leave from Monday 6th August and returns on Monday 20th August. Please contact Stacey or Debbie (stacey@colinton.org and debbie@colinton.org). For queries regarding fees please email Sandy@colinton.org.

Dreghorn Loan

Please can we all ensure we are courteous to our neighbours in Dreghorn Loan, ensuring we drive at appropriate speeds and park out with driveways etc. There are some consultations looking at the Colinton area in regards to parking, speed limits which we need to bear in mind as we arrive/ depart the nursery.

Little Lunches

Lisa (Little Lunches) is currently working on the menu for the nursery with her team. We hope to have this finalised and able to share with you in the next few weeks. Little Lunches goes live on Monday 3rd September.



Improvement Plan

We have been writing our improvement plan recently and this academic year we will be focusing on:

- Further provision of numeracy indoors and outdoors
- Further develop our transitions between nursery, home and school
- Inclusion for all through the provision of Little Lunches.

A copy of our full Standards and Quality Improvement Plan will be available for parents in the hallway in due course. We are currently awaiting some feedback from our local authority Quality Improvement Officer, Paula Dennis.

Nursery Sessions

Just a reminder that our sessions run from 8am to 1pm, 1.15 to 6pm and 8am to 6pm. If you are looking to receive a full report of your child's day please arrive 10mins before the end of your child's session. This allows staff to give you all the necessary feedback you would like each session.



August Birthday's

We would like to wish Tom and Harry a very happy 2nd birthday this month. We hope you both enjoy your special day.



Employee of the month

Our employee of the month for July goes to Lauren Cavens. We appreciate the support Lauren has given the 0-2 room over recent weeks while she is on holiday from her university course. Thanks and well done Lauren.

Nursery Developments

We are currently in the process of getting ready for Little Lunches. Joanne has discussed the new delivery of food with our environmental health officer, Colin. On advice given by Colin, Joanne will be ensuring the nursery has the correct records for hot holding the food once delivered by Little Lunches. In addition, work has begun on creating the new staff area. The area has been cleared, walls painted and over the next few weeks Sandy and Joanne will lay the new flooring and build up the units for the staff.



There has also been some clear out work completed in the garden area. Our large shed has been reorganised and we are in the process of creating a separate buggy/car seat area for parents use in the smaller shed. We will let you know when this is fully operational.

Nursery Availability

We are in the exciting position that we have limited availability in our 0-2 room and toddler room. Therefore if you are planning on changing or increasing sessions please let us know as soon as possible as some amendments later may not be viable.



Pre-school funding

If your child is entitled to the pre-school funding with effect from 15th August 2018 you will have been issued a form and information letter. Please can we ask that these are returned no later than **Wednesday 1st August** to ensure we have the children added to the Council funding system in time for the new term.

