

Welcome to Media City January/February Newsletter



Happy New Year everyone

30hrs Funding

Have you checked to see if you are entitled to the 30hrs funding? The term after your child is 3 you may be entitled to some additional funding. For all the children who are already entitled to the 30hours funding please remember that this does need to be reapplied for on the government website for each term. Please follow the links <https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynw>

Staffing News

We would like to welcome back Karly and Sophie from Maternity leave. Sophie will be back working in our toddler room. We would also like to welcome Leah to our staff team, Leah is level 3 qualified and comes with a wealth of experience.

Refreshment Fee

Refreshment fee for funded only children - please can we remind you that refreshment fees are to be paid in advance at the start of the week. If you are in arrears please can you ensure that the fees are paid asap. Morning session is now £3.00 and afternoon session £1.50. Thank you

School Leavers For 3 And 4 Year Olds

Just a reminder you need to apply for your child's school place by the 15th January 2018 for their school place in September 2018. For more help or advice please speak to your child's key-person.

Fees

Please can we remind parents that from the 1st of January the daily rate went from £45 to £46 please amend your standing order accordingly. Can we please remind you that childcare fees are due on the 1st of the month in advance as stated in your signed terms and conditions. We have been experiencing many late payments recently and don't want to be forced into cancelling childcare places or charging late payment fees. Thank you.

Session Times

Morning sessions are 7:45am (funded children) 8am (non funded children) -12.45pm & 1pm-8pm. Please ensure that you stick to the set times to ensure that we are meeting the ratios at all times. Thank you.

Lateness

Please be aware that we close the nursery at 6pm prompt. Late fees will apply to anyone late at a rate of £5 per every 5 minutes. This includes the morning sessions. Thank you.

Parent Focus Group

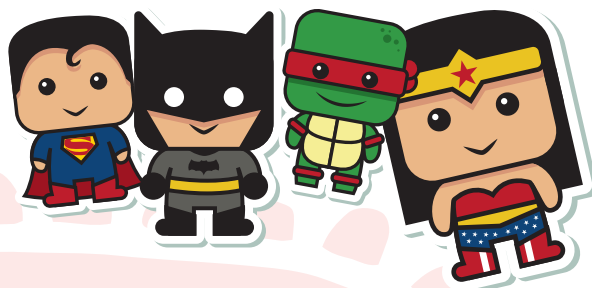
We would like to welcome all parents to attend our first Parent Focus Group on Wednesday February 28th at 6:30pm. The Parent focus group provides you with the opportunity to share ideas on ways we can improve our practice. This may be things like invoicing, activities, things that work well and things that don't. We have refreshment to tempt you.

Half Term

Funded children will break up for a week for half term, week beginning Monday 19th February.

SUPERHERO DAY - WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY

Children are welcome to come to nursery dressed as their favourite Superhero or bring in their favourite Superhero toy. We will also be having a Superhero themed menu.



Valentines Day - Red Day

Wednesday 14th February

To celebrate Valentines day everyone is invited to dress in red clothes for the day, each room will be doing Valentines crafts, making cards, baking and exploring all things red. Look out for our Love display!



KidzRUs Pre-School Wedding

On Valentines day our Pre-school will be having their own little Valentines Wedding. On this day they will all have their own little job role, we will have our very own DJ, we will be writing our very own wedding invites and will be baking a wedding cake with Lisa our cook.



Baby Sensory Week - Week Commencing 29th January

This week both baby rooms will be exploring our senses. Each day will focus on a different sense, touch, sight, taste, sound and smell.



Chinese New Year, The Year Of The Earth Dog

Friday 16th February

This week, to celebrate Chinese new year each room will be doing crafts, eating Chinese food and learning how Chinese celebrate their new year.



KidzRUs Committee

KidzRUs now has their very own Children Committee each month. A group of children will meet with Sophie and Jess R to discuss different topics. Our first month is all about health and safety.

Thank you for your continued support, Gemma and the staff team!