Parents Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Dear parents/carers / Asalam Alaikum (Peace be upon you all),



The newsletters are sent every half-term to keep you updated with term dates, events and other relevant information. The nursery uses a broadcast (via Whatsapp) to disseminate all information. Please ensure you have added the nursery mobile in your contacts to make sure you receive our messages.

Spare Clothing/labelling items

If your child has been sent home with spare clothes belonging to the nursery, please return them as our stock has diminished. We are also looking for spare clothes for children aged 2 to 5 years old, if your child/children have outgrown their clothes and you are looking to donate them, the nursery would welcome the following items: socks, underwear, trousers, skirts, tights and tops.

Please can we also ask all parents to label their children's items (especially toddler room children), as items from children get mixed up regularly and we are unable to identify which children things belong to.

Snack Charges

We would like to thank parents who have paid their snack money. A large number of parents, however, have yet to pay. As stated in our parent pack, snack charges apply if your child attends nursery with a free place through funding from the local authority. We would like to



remind parents that there is a **60p per day charge** which can be paid weekly or at the end of the term.

Arabic Madrasa for children aged 4

The nursery has an Arabic Madrasa for children aged 4 years. Teaching takes place over 2 days, with a choice of either a Monday and Wednesday or a Tuesday and Thursday from 4.30pm-6.30pm. If you would like a space for your child or know of other parents who would be interested, for more information please e-mail: arabicmadrassa@happychildrennursery.com. Please note that fees apply for attendance.

World Book Day

It is important that we instil reading for pleasure in our children, as research has shown this to be the single biggest indicator of a child's future success, more so than a child's family circumstances,



Save the Dates

parents' educational background or household income. Surveys suggest that reading for pleasure is at its lowest prevalence since 2005 with fewer than 1 in 2 (47.8%) children saying that they enjoy reading either very much (18.4%) or quite a lot (29.4%). To help promote this, we will be giving every child a book token that they can exchange for a book at local bookstores. To instil a love of reading and to make it exciting for our

children, we want to encourage children to dress up as a character from a story in the Quran/their favourite book on **World Book Day, Thursday 7th March 2024**. If you would like ideas or support or tips on making your own costume, please speak to a staff member.

As Ramadan is fast approaching, we hope that the sacred month becomes a means of abundant blessings for everyone. May God shower us with steadfastness and goodness that will benefit us and our households and aid us to be a means of guidance upon the earth.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to talk to us.

From all the staff at Happy Children Nursery

Dates for your Diary

World Book Day-7th March 2024

Nursery will be closed from 29th Mar and reopen 15th April

Community Eid Breakfast (on Eid day) held at Felicity House open to all.