# **Parents Newsletter**

#### Spring Term 2



Asalam Alaikum / Peace be upon you all,

We would like to welcome all our new parents. We pray the transitions has gone well whether it be from Toddler room to Pre-school or you're a new parent joining the nursery family for the first time. The newsletter's are sent every half term to keep you updated with term dates, events and other relevant information. The nursery also 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.

### **Parent Practitioner Association (PPA)**

Our 'Parent Practitioner Association' was initiated to offer parents an opportunity to meet with nursery staff over tea and cake to discuss and make suggestions on how to shape the future of the nursery. In the past we have organised family fun days and Eid parties. Our next PPA will be held on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 10am-12pm** this will be an opportunity to socialise with other parents and speak to the nursery manager regarding any issue you might be facing or need support in addressing any child development related issues.

#### Arabic Madrasa for 4 Year

The nursery has an Arabic Madrassa for children aged 4 years. Teaching takes place over 2 days, with a choice of a Monday and Wednesday or 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: <a href="mailto:arabicmadrassa@happychildrennursery.com">arabicmadrassa@happychildrennursery.com</a>. Please note fee's apply for attendance.

#### **World Book Day**

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



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

children to dress up as a character from a story in the Quran/or their favourite book on **World Book Day on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023**. If you would like ideas or support in how to be creative and make your own costume, please speak to a staff member for ideas.

## **Pre-school Entrance/Access to Nursery**

Gentle reminder we will be locking the arch doors leading to the café area, doors will be open between 8.30am-10am and 3pm-4pm, if any (preschool aged child) parents want to drop off/pick up their children out of these times please use the buzzer situated at the Toddler entrance gate. We would also like to remind Toddler room parents waiting to collect their child, can we please request you to form a line against the wall whilst waiting for a parent in-front of you who is collecting their child so we can avoid not overcrowding the parent/key person hand-over.







### **Snack Charges**

If your child attends nursery with a free place through funding from the council, we would like to remind you that there is a **60p per day charge for snacks**.



Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. If you ever 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 Week- 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 PPA Coffee morning Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 10am-12 Easter Closure dates 3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> April

Eid Al Fitr Closure (subject to moon sighting, date will be published closer to the time however if

Eid falls during the week nursery will be closed for Eid day)

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