

Winter Term Newsletter 2017

Welcome

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a good half term!

We have had some new children start this term, so welcome to BarBar Nursery. We hope you enjoy your time with us! If you have any

Ofsted

We had Ofsted visit our setting on Tuesday 3rd October 2017. The report has now been published and we are proud to say that we got "Good" rating over all four categories! There will be some copies of the full report next to the signing in and out sheets that parents are

Website

We have recently updated our website. After half term, we will be regularly adding snippets of what we have been doing at nursery, up and coming events as well as

Photographer

Just a reminder, the photographer is returning on Tuesday 7th November between 8.00am and

Staff Changes

Unfortunately, as most of you are aware, Ila handed in her notice last term so will not be returning after half term. This is because she has moved to South Birmingham and the long commute is too much so has decided to start her own cleaning business. We wish her all the best for the future!

Therefore, Alice is returning! Alice has been working at one of the other BarBar Nurseries since returning from her travels. After October half term, she will be working as the pre-school room leader again. Welcome back Alice!

You may have also noticed that Laura is pregnant! She is due to start her maternity leave from the week commencing 20th November. Congratulations Laura and family!

As a result, we have a new addition to our pre-school family, Chantelle Morgan. Chantelle holds a Level 2 in Children and Young People's Workforce. Welcome to the BarBar Team!

In the baby room, Tom has started at University so his hours and days have changed recently. At the moment, usually he will work full days on Tuesday and

Term Dates

The October half term is from Monday 22nd October until Tuesday 31st October. Term-time only children will return on Wednesday 1st November 2017.

The Christmas holiday break is from Friday 22nd December until Friday 5th January. Term time children will break up on Thursday 21st December and return on Monday 8th January. We will be

Sessions

Since we have changed to our new set session times, we have noticed that some parents are bringing their children in early or picking their children up late. One of the reasons for changing the sessions was to ensure that we have the correct numbers of staff present to meet the needs of the children. If children are brought in early or picked up late this affects our ratios- ratios that we must comply with to meet Ofsted standards. Therefore, if you arrive early to drop off your child, i.e. before 8am or before 1pm, then you will be asked to wait with your child until the session starts. If you are running late to pick up your child, please call us on 01453840474 to let us know and staffing can be adjusted. We understand that sometimes the traffic can be bad in the evenings, but as we close at 6pm and all the staff are due to finish at this time. There is a premium rate that will be added to your invoice of £10.00 per every half an hour after 6.00pm and this is to cover the extra staffing costs that the nursery incurs. (From our registration form signed by

As ever, if you have any concerns, queries or questions, please do get in touch with us. We are also very happy to listen to any suggestions that you may have- 01453-840474.