



Autumn Term 2023 Newsletter

Dates for your diary

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Children return to preschool: Monday 4th September.

Preschool ends: Friday 20th October.

Half Term Break

Children return to preschool: Monday 30th October.

Preschool ends: Friday 15th December.

Hello and a warm welcome to all our new families who have joined us this year. We hope your little ones settle quickly and enjoy coming to preschool. Any worries, please talk to your keyperson, Maria or Sam who will be happy to help. Also, a big welcome back to children who are returning for another year of fun and learning.

Nappies and pull-ups

Parents with children who are in pull ups or nappies are kindly asked to provide a supply of pull-ups, nappies, wipes etc which will be named and used for your child as needed. You will be advised when the pack of nappies or wipes need replenishing.

Behaviour

We have many young children attending preschool in the autumn term and for some, it will be their first experience of sharing toys and following preschool routines. Some children settle easily while others find it more challenging. This can sometimes result in behaviour such as snatching or hurting others. Staff will inform parents of any incidents and will work together with families to promote positive behaviour. Please help us by talking to your child regularly about sharing and being kind to each other. Also, please do not let children run around in the foyer whilst waiting to enter preschool.

Lunch boxes and snack pots



Please make sure your child's lunch box and snack pots are wipeable and named. Remember to keep your child's lunch items as healthy as possible. Please make sure that any grapes in your child's lunch box are cut in half as they can be a choking hazard. Keep portions child sized as they will also be having snacks during the session. Please remember that your child's lunch box should never contain NUTS or EGGS. Children are offered milk or water to drink at preschool.

Website

Please visit our website at www.wigmoreunderfivespreschool.co.uk. It has many interesting sections including preschool policies, newsletters, staff, and session information.

Facebook

We also have a Wigmore Under Fives and Stepping-stones Facebook page. Please look to see what the activities the children have been enjoying.

What's App

Our parent's 'What's App' group, is a great way to keep in contact with events at preschool. We share information such as school closure days, children's cake stalls, lost property, and sports day etc.

Illness

If your child is ill or you are going to be late, this information should be texted privately to the preschool mobile number 07414 741610

Tapestry Online Learning Journal and App

Wigmore Under Fives uses a platform called 'Tapestry' to record children's learning and development. Each family can access their child's information from the App that you can download onto your phone, tablet, or computer. You will receive an activation email, to help you set up your own password and PIN number. Please go onto your child's 'Tapestry' every two weeks, to see what your little one has been learning. Parent/Carers own observations and comments are also very welcome. 'Tapestry' is user friendly and helps keypersons and families to keep in touch, sharing photos and milestones.



Children's Safety

When dropping off or collecting your child, please drive slowly and carefully whilst in the car park. Always hold your child's hand whilst queuing and until inside the building or car. Disabled parking is for blue badge holders only. Please display your blue badge when parking in the disabled places.

BABY STEPS → STEPPING STONES

We are pleased to be re-opening our Stepping-stones stay & play group again on Thursday 7th September 2023. This session is provided for younger children aged from birth to 3years old accompanied by a parent/carer. It meets every Thursday morning during term time **9.30am -11.30am**

£3.50 per family

Childminders welcome

£3.50 for first child, £1.50 for each extra child

