



Little Ducks Pre-school Spring 2025 Newsletter

New Opening Times 9:00am-3:00pm

Morning 9:00am -12:00pm

Afternoon 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Term dates: Mon 6 January - Friday 4 April

6 Jan letter of the week Uu

13 Jan LI

20 Jan Ff

27 Jan Bb

3 Feb Jj

10 Feb Qq

Half term: w/c 17 February

24 Feb Vv

3 Mar Ww

10 Mar Xx

17 Mar Yy

24 Mar Zz

31 Mar Ss

Happy New Year and welcome back to Little Ducks Pre-school!

Hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and were able to enjoy time with family and friends. All the staff would like to thank you for all your kind cards and gifts they are much appreciated.

A few reminders for the new term.....

- **Bag contents** - Children's bags brought into pre-school should only contain items needed for the session like change of shoes/ clothes, drinks and items linked to theme or letter of the week for show and tell. For all children's safety please ensure that very small toys, coins, make up and food items are not left in bags or brought into the session.
- **Labelling** - Please ensure **all** items are clearly labelled with your child's name and use bag tags provided.
- **Outdoor play** - As we are going outside every day when possible children need *indoor and outdoor shoes or wellies*.
- **Jewellery** - children should not wear any jewellery apart from small stud earrings.

Payment of Fees

Please remember unless you have agreed alternative arrangements with Caroline fees are payable in the first 2 weeks of term. Prompt payment is always appreciated as chasing fees is our least favourite thing to do!!

Tapestry online

Our Tapestry system to record your child's progress and achievements is always available for you to view online. Children new this term have been entered onto the Tapestry system and parents should have received an email asking them to set up their password in order to access their child's learning journal. When you get the opportunity to look at your child's journal we would appreciate it if you would add your comments. If you have any photos from over the holiday period you could add them too.

Key Person

Your child's key person will introduce themselves and as some staff do not work every day we use a "buddy" system and the name of your 2nd key person is included on the introductory note. Some children who were with us last year may have a new key person but you will be informed if this is the case.

Rising 5's Homework

The aim of the optional activity sheets will be explained in a letter to all rising 5's in the next half term.

Adverse weather

In case adverse weather the pre-school plans to remain open unless there is any problem with the premises or enough staff cannot get to work safely. If this happens an email will be sent to parents and a message will be posted on our website www.little-ducks.co.uk.

Telephone numbers

If you should need to contact us during opening hours please call the HQ on 01277-234346.
Mobile number 07389-725844 (available during opening hours Mon-Fri)

Regards,

Caroline Fenwick and the Little Ducks team