



Nature Garden Nursery  
& Forest School

## Autumn Term 2

# Parents Newsletter

We would like to thank all parents and carers for your wonderful support throughout our first term. We are incredibly proud of how far the children have come and how much they are learning and developing in Nursery.

### **Notice from the Warrington Borough Council website for school applications 2024:**

It is important to:

1. Complete an application with Warrington Borough Council School admissions at <https://www.warrington.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions> by **15th January 2024**

### **Staffing updates**

Becky Johnston will no longer be working with us, she is taking some annual leave up until Christmas. I'm sure you will join us in wishing her lots of luck in her new career.

Rebecca Roylance will remain as the overall manager of Nursery and Out of School club, supported by Emma Bale (Operations Manager) and Mandy Herrington (Owner). We will be putting a post out for a new Deputy Manager, if you have any friends or family members who would suit the position, please ask them to contact us for a friendly chat.

We would like to welcome Antonella our nursery cleaner, who some of you might have already seen around the setting.

### **Updates**

May we also remind you to email [naturegarden@rngroup.co.uk](mailto:naturegarden@rngroup.co.uk) if there are any changes to the details, we hold for you. This includes email, address, phone numbers, emergency contacts, dietary or allergy requirements etc.

### **Useful contact information**

Nature Garden Nursery and Out of School Club  
**01925 758 959/07494744992**



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(Monday to Friday) 7:30am to 6:00pm

**Email:** [naturegarden@rngroup.co.uk](mailto:naturegarden@rngroup.co.uk)

### **What Have We Been enjoying this term?**

- This term, we have been learning about everything to do with Autumn. We explored lots of different natural resources in our garden and created some fabulous pictures which we displayed inside our classroom.
- The children have been working very hard towards name recognition and letter formation, focusing on number and quantity, as well as shape, space and measure.
- Additionally, nocturnal animals and of course... CHRISTMAS! We have also learnt about the festivals of Diwali and Hanukkah.
- We will be asking the children for their ideas for each topic weekly, to gain more information on their current interests and what they would like to do during their time at Nursery. Thank you for filling in your monthly feedback forms, as these contribute to our planning and following children's interests.
- The children have been learning a variety of Christmas songs. They have been completing some Christmas crafts they have chosen to make.
- We have also had a few exciting projects ongoing throughout the term to update some of our environment. Including an internal wall being knocked through in our workshop space, our promotional video and an update to our CCTV.
- We had a lovely Christmas themed stay and play craft morning earlier on in December; we will be doing another couple of stay and play sessions during the spring and summer term. Watch this space for further details around those sessions.
- The children also really enjoyed creating our Christmas tree to send to St Mary's Church Christmas tree festival.
- You can now view our lovely promotional video for Nature Garden and Rosebank, we would like to thank everyone who contributed towards the video. The link to the video is her;

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJ1\\_GutsJKA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJ1_GutsJKA)

### **Dates for Your Diary**

Nursery will close for the Christmas holidays on **Friday 22nd December 2023** at 6:00pm for all year care children and will re-open for ALL children on **Tuesday 2nd January 2024** at 7:30am.

### **Home learning**



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Children have loved choosing from a selection of lending library books to share at home, we will continue to offer this throughout the year.

We are continuing to send home our Marvelous me box, for children to share with their friends during circle time.

### **Staff Training**

Our team are committed to completing relevant and required training, much of which is completed in their own time outside of working hours. This commitment ensures we are as up-to-date as possible.

### **Parent Suggestions**

We fully welcome and appreciate all ideas from parents, so please give us some suggestions for:

- Activities - What would you like to see your child doing around nursery?
- Our outdoor environment – Do you have any ideas that could help to improve it?
- What does your child enjoy playing with at home?

We welcome your thoughts and suggestions on all subjects, so please feel free to come and discuss any queries you may have.

### **Parent consultations**

We will be booking in our parent consultations in the new year. We will be sending out some dates for you to come in and have a chat with your child's key person. Hopefully this gives you a bit of time to have a think about any questions or queries that you have for them.

### **Funding**

Please make sure that you have re-confirmed your eligibility code with HMRC by the **31st December 2023** if it is due to expire, to ensure that we can continue to claim your funding in the Spring term. For anyone applying for 2- year old funding, please check the government website for more information regarding the expansion of the funding entitlement.

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/upcoming-changes-to-childcare-support/>

### **Tax Free Childcare**



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Please look at this link to see if you may be eligible for Tax Free Childcare:

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

### **Reviews**

Many parents use platforms such as Facebook, Day Nurseries and Google to help them to choose the right nursery for their child. If you like what we do at Nature Garden Nursery and Forest School and would like to let other parents know about it, then please leave us a review.

<https://www.facebook.com/naturegardennurseryandforestschool/>

<https://www.daynurseries.co.uk/daynursery.cfm/searchazref/65432218542>

### **Thank you**

Finally, Thank You so much for the generous gifts and cards that you have given to the team for Christmas. We have had the most fabulous time getting to know your children this term.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Many Thanks

The Nature Garden Nursery and Forest School team