



Newsletter

12th January 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome back after the holidays. The children are so happy to be back with their friends at Nursery. We have had a great start to the term with even the excitement of SNOW!

This term the older children will be focussing on developing their Mathematical skills and also learning about their Community. Finding out about jobs people do and how we can help each other. If you would like to come into the nursery and share any of your skills with the children please speak to Carrie and Katie.

The younger children in Tamsin's class are continuing to learn the routine of the day, build friendships and confidence in the nursery. They have also been loving painting, chasing bubbles, riding bikes, singing nursery rhymes, digging in the sand, climbing and sliding on the soft play and sharing stories.

The weather is very cold please ensure your child is dressed for the cold weather!

INSET DAYS THIS YEAR

The nursery will be closed for INSET training on the following days during the 2023/2024 school year.

Monday 5th February 2024

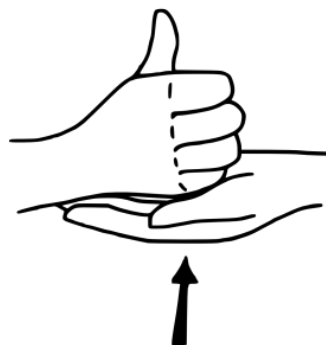
Monday 4th March 2024

Wednesday 24th July 2024



MAKATON

Help



New funding entitlements for working families in 2024/2025

The new entitlements will be rolled out in three phases:

- April 2024 - 2 year olds with working parents will be entitled to 15 hours x 38 weeks
- September 2024 - children aged 9 months up to 3 years with working parents will be entitled to 15 hours x 38 weeks
- September 2025 - children aged 9 months up to 4 years with working parents will be entitled to 30 hours x 38 weeks

When can a funded place be accessed?

As with the current funding children can access a funded place from the term following the date that they reach the correct age. This includes the youngest age group from 9 months. For example, if a child is 9 months old in April 2024 they will be able to access a funded place from September 2024.

How to apply: Go to <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

TERM DATES

Monday 5th February 2024
INSET Day (Nursery closed)

12th to 16th February 2024
Half term

Monday 4th March 2024
INSET Day (Nursery closed)

29th March to 12th April 2024
Easter holidays

Monday 6th May 2024
Bank holiday

27th to 31st May 2024
Half term

Tuesday 23rd July 2024
Last day of term

TOP TIPS FOR TALKING WITH YOUR CHILD

Sing songs with your child and build in opportunities for him to take turns.

- Sing simple songs with your child, especially ones with actions, like "Row Row Row your Boat", and build in opportunities for him to participate. This is a fun way for him to learn to take his turn in an interaction, as well as to learn new words.
- Sing a new song the same way a few times so your child learns the song and its "high point". High points are the most interesting parts of a song. In "Row, Row, Row your Boat", the high points are the rocking back and forth while you and your child sit on the floor, holding outstretched hands, and saying the last word after a long pause - i.e., "dream".
- Once your child is familiar with the song, pause before a high point and **wait** for him to respond.

For example, when singing "Row Row Row your Boat", sing the song through once or twice and then, still holding his hands, **WAIT** for him to ask you to sing it again (he will probably make a sound or rock back and forth to ask you to do it again).

Or, you can start to sing the song while rocking back and forth, pausing mid-song so he can ask you to continue.

Or, you can slow down and pause before the last word ("dream"), so he can make a sound - any sound - to end the song.

- To take his turn during songs, your child may wriggle, make a sound, look at you, point to something or perform an action. Accept **anything** as his turn and then continue immediately. The most important thing is that he takes a turn and has fun while doing it.

*Row, row, row your boat, gently down the stream,
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily, life is but a dream.*

*Row, row, row your boat, gently down the stream,
If you see a crocodile, don't forget to scream!*

*Row, row, row your boat, gently to the shore,
If you see a lion, don't forget to roar!*

Row, row, row your boat, gently down the river,



Need help and advice around Special Educational Needs?

Kerrier Coffee Morning

12th January at Redruth Family Hub 09.30-11.30am

Guest speaker- Parent Carers Cornwall Team. With youth worker and family workers available for advice.

Penwith Coffee Morning

19th January at Hayle Family Hub 09.30am-11.30am

Guest Speaker- Parent Carers Cornwall Team. With youth worker and family worker available for advice.

Parent Carers Cornwall want to ensure that all SEND parents have their voices heard and enable parent carers to gain greater knowledge and understanding of the services available to them and their child from health, education, local authority and the voluntary sector.

Both events are free of charge with refreshments provided. For any further information please contact:

Email: Penwith.FamilyHub@cornwall.gov.uk or
Kerrier.FamilyHub@cornwall.gov.uk

FOOD BANK VOUCHERS

If you need any help with food or debt advice please speak to Emma, Carrie or Tamsin. We can offer foodbank vouchers and help find you financial advice.

CPR foodbank opening times:

Tuesday 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Wednesday 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday 10.00am to 12.00pm

Friday 10.30am to 12.00pm

Location: 1 Wesley St, Camborne TR14 8DP

COMMUNITY LARDERS

Camborne Community Larder

Monday morning 9.15am - 10.45am at Camborne Library

Bethal Community Larder

Tuesday morning 9.30am to at Bethel Community Church, Redruth
(There is also a soup kitchen from 10.00am)

FOOD ACTION

<https://devonandcornwallfoodaction.org/>

This Charity are offering a massive bundle of food for £25 (Made up of donations from Supermarkets). There is a date at Gooseberry Bush Day Nursery in Camborne next month if you are interested. See poster below.



**DEVON &
CORNWALL
FOOD ACTION**

We will be at Gooseberry Bush Day Nursery on:

Thursday 8th February

11:00am – 1:00pm

Orders are being taken before 31/01/2024

Sign up at the main office or use the QR code below



How does it work?

On the day, arrive at the GBDN and we will show you around to where the truck will be.

You pay £25 and get greater than that value in food: including dry goods, fresh, frozen and non-food items.

Cash or Card accepted on the day. You will need bags and a trolley or vehicle to transport the food home!

Family & friends are also welcome to take part if they would like!