

# BROOK HOUSE NURSERY

## NEWSLETTER



**January/February 2019**

Dear parents,

Firstly, we all wanted to wish you a very Happy New Year and again to say a huge thank you for all the fabulous Christmas presents you gave us.

### **New children**

A warm welcome to the new children who have recently joined our nursery. We are hoping that you are going to enjoy your time at Brook House. We wish all the children who are leaving us this term the best of luck in their new adventures!

### **Around the nursery**

The Magpie room are currently exploring Hansel and Gretel. They will be reading different versions of the story, using story sacks, making sweet houses, cooking gingerbread men, tasting ginger and watching short videos about Hansel and Gretel! We will also include discussions about “stranger danger” and healthy eating. The Owl room are learning all about friendships and being kind. They will be reading “The Rainbow Fish”, making fish with lots of beautiful scales and using circle time to have a look at emotions and being kind.

The Hummingbird and Robin rooms are brightening things up with lots of colours. They will be cooking with different coloured foods, painting, printing and sticking!

### **Progress Checks**

We are planning to allocate 10min slots for the parents to discuss their children’s progress. The slots will take place in February 2019. You will have an opportunity to sit down with your child’s key worker in a separate room and have a look at their learning journey as well as discuss any concerns you may have. Please choose a convenient time slot from the lists displayed on the nursery doors and speak to your child’s key worker if you have any questions. The Robin room meetings will be the week commencing 04.02.19, Magpie 11.02.19 and 18.02.19, Owl 25.02.19 and Hummingbird 04.03.19.

### **Chinese New Year**

In February we will be celebrating Chinese New Year in all the rooms of our nursery. We will be tasting some Chinese food as well as having a go at rolling our own spring



rolls. As it is the Year of the pig, we will be using the pig as a basis for craft as well as making Chinese dragons and lanterns. The older children will be listening to stories about how people in China celebrate New Year and watching a short video about the history behind the celebrations. If you have been to China and have brought back some souvenirs or have taken some photographs that you do not mind showing to our children or are able to read our children a story, we would really appreciate it.

### **February events**

During February we will also be celebrating Shrove Tuesday and Valentine's day. Please look out for all our crafts, cooking and photos during this time!

### **Facebook**

Please visit our Facebook page to see our current events and photos!  
[www.facebook.com/brookhousenurseryltd](http://www.facebook.com/brookhousenurseryltd)

### **Buggy shed**

We are currently experiencing problems with the buggy sheds and are finding that many people are not folding their pushchairs or are using the space unfairly. Could you all please make sure you are being considerate of others when using the space. We would suggest using the shed to store umbrella style pushchairs as we are aware that there are a high number and other styles may not fold easily. Due to pushchairs being so expensive we do not want your belongings to get dirty or scratched by others using the facilities. We feel that if the sheds are used correctly there is enough space for everyone to be able to store their pushchairs safely

### **Snowy weather**

In the unlikely event of heavy snow, please could you call the nursery before leaving home to check we are open. We have a number of staff who commute and in the case of severe weather and in the interests of safety, it may also be necessary to ask you to collect your child earlier than usual. We will do everything we can to remain open.

Thank you,  
Brook House Team

