



Spring Term Newsletter 2019

We hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and wish all our children and their families a Happy New Year. The staff would like to thank you for your lovely cards and presents, which are much appreciated.

Christmas Performance

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the Bear Hugs Nativity concert. The children enjoyed learning their new Christmas songs and looked wonderful in their Nativity costumes.

Staff

Bear Hugs Nursery would like to bid a fond farewell to Mrs Wilkins who has left the nursery to pursue a different career. We wish her all the best in her new career.

Term Dates

Spring Term

Tuesday 8th January - Friday 5th April 2019
Half Term 19th - 22nd February 2019

Summer Term

Tuesday 23rd April - Friday 19th July
Half Term 28th May - 31st May 2019

Spring Term Topics

For the first half of the Spring Term the children at Bear Hugs Nursery will be learning about the different people who help us, such as doctor, police, dentist, firefighter, postal worker, lollipop person. During the second half of the Spring Term our topics will explore the different elements of Spring, such as showers, blossom, rainbows and flowers. In March, the nursery will support the charity Red Nose Day and consider how we celebrate Mothering Sunday and Easter.

Clothing

We use the garden all year round and would ask that all children come into nursery, at this time of year, with wellington boots for the garden, as well as their indoor shoes, we recommend velcro plimsolls. In addition, coats are essential every day with a recommendation to include a hat and gloves for the colder weather. A full change of clothing should be brought into every session in your child's bag in case of spillages, accidents or playing outside on wet surfaces.

Parent Involvement Form

Please see the attached Parent Involvement Form, which you are invited to complete and return to the nursery. This information is used to help plan relevant activities to support your child's learning and development.

Nursery Feedback Form

Bear Hugs Nursery values your feedback on how we perform as a nursery. Please take a few minutes to fill out the form and post it into the Feedback Box on the entrance table of the nursery.

Book Bags

Each child will be invited to select a book of their choice from our Bear Hugs' library to bring home and share with their family. The children will be provided with a red named book bag to bring and return the library book in each week. We hope you will enjoy reading and looking at the books with your child.

Choking hazards

Children can easily and quickly choke on food. To prevent this happening we ask if you put grapes and/or baby tomatoes in your child's lunch box, that can lodge in a child's throat, you cut them into four pieces lengthways. In addition, please do not leave any food/sweets in your child's personal bag, as your child could start to eat them without adult supervision.

Weather Update

Should the nursery need to close due to bad weather a text will be sent to your mobile phone. Alternatively, you can check the news section of the website or Bear Hugs facebook page with revised opening times and days.

And Finally

If you have any questions, concerns or queries about anything at Bear Hugs Nursery, please do not hesitate to speak to Fiona Fox or your child's key person. We are always happy to share information with you and help in anyway we can. Alternatively, you may contact the nursery: telephone no. 07849 657290, e-mail: bearhugsnursery@btinternet.com Additional information can be found on our website: bearhugsnursery.com or Facebook: [@bearhugsnurseryaddlestone](https://www.facebook.com/bearhugsnurseryaddlestone)