



Mapledene & Queensbridge Children's Centre



Newsletter



Diary Dates

2019 brings new and exciting events and diary dates. We are closed for Inset training on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd January 2019. The centre will re-open as normal at 8am on Friday 4th January. The children will be learning about Chinese culture in line with their New Year of the Pig on Friday the 5th February. Valentine's/Friendship Day will be celebrated in all rooms on Thursday the 14th February. Red book Day will be held in Mango room from 9am on Wednesday the 27th February, please bring your child's red book into nursery. We will be celebrating Pancake Day on Tuesday the 5th March. Schools half term will be the week commencing Monday the 18th of February to Friday the 22nd. Please look out for the January newsletter for further dates and upcoming events.



Extended Services

The new programme of activities is now available for January - April 2019. Pick up a copy or view it online. Do you need advice on how to keep your children aged 0-5 year's old safe. If so please call Miza to check your eligibility and receive a free assessment on your home for safety gates, cupboard/draw locks, blind cord and more. From 18th January 2019 from 10am - 12pm we will be starting the Incredible Years School Parenting Group, this is aimed at parents with children aged between 5-12 years. Parents will be able to access this group by referrals only. Please see a member of Mango room staff for more information.

Curriculum

Our new termly theme for January 2019 will be 'My Five Senses'. Our children will participate in activities that develop awareness of who they are and what is important to them. Staff will provide specific activities that cater to the individuality of all our children. Apples and Seedlings will focus on developing the bond between their key workers and friends as they welcome new friends into their room. Palms children will participate in a visit to the Natural History Museum to extend their learning and interest in dinosaurs and living things. Maples children will develop their interest in outdoor learning as they visit local parks and places of interest. They will also explore the learning garden to develop their senses and take a closer look at nature.

Notices

Thank you for your support during our winter fayre this month. We were able to raise over £2,000. Thank you to all our parents who attended their children's Christmas performance and after party. The children worked very hard during rehearsals and were fantastic on the day. Mapledene staff and children would like to wish you all a Happy and Safe Christmas with your family. We look forward to seeing you all in the New Year. Please note...**we close on Friday 21st December at 2pm. Children return on Friday 4th January 2019**

Staffing

We would like to wish Joy Nessa and Shobia Karim good luck as they leave us at the end of this term. Joy has been with us for 15 years and will be sadly missed.

