



Autumn Term 2023 Newsletter

Welcome to the Autumn term at nursery. We have lots of fun activities planned to share with you and your child throughout the coming year.

If you have any questions or comments about nursery please do not hesitate to speak to any member of the team. You can call the office on 0191 527 1168 or email rosemary.lane@durhamlearning.net to get in touch.

We hope everyone has been able to join us on Seesaw, to access your child's online learning journal. This is our main method of communication. Please ensure you have notifications turned on to receive alerts for new messages, including letters, reminders and photographs of your child accessing the nursery provision. If you need support with this, speak to a member of staff in nursery.

Our Nursery Curriculum.

The curriculum we offer in our school is built around the children's interests, identified through observations by the skilled team of nursery practitioners. We develop the whole child—learning to be confident, sociable, independent and inquisitive. Having a positive attitude and making positive relationships.

Alongside children's individual interests we have planned times when the children are taught new concepts they may otherwise not know about. We have developed a progressive curriculum which supports children in revisiting learning and building upon this over time.

Each term we will be looking at different cultures through festivals and celebrations. We will introduce our core books from our reading policy and develop mathematical learning through regular short fun activities and challenges.

November Dates

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
29	30 School holiday	31 School holiday	1 School holiday	2 School holiday	3 School holiday	4
5	6 Christmas Raffle donations welcome	7	8 Football fun (3/4s)	9 P	10	11
12	13	14	15 Football fun (3/4s)	16	17	18
19	20 Sponsored Football Skills week	21 Sponsored Football	22 Sponsored Football	23 Sponsored Football	24 Sponsored Football	25
26	27	28	29	30		

December Dates

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
					1 Christmas Fayre—All children accompanied by an adult PM	2
3	4 Visit to buy gift for Mission Christmas (3-4)	5 Blue teddy Tiny Tweeties party (2s)	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 3-4s Christmas Party PM	14	15 Possible Theatre trip 3-4s (PM)	16
17	18 Christmas Singalong 3-4s	19	20 School Holiday	21 School Holiday	22 School Holiday	23 School Holiday
25 School Holiday	26 School Holiday	27 School Holiday	28 School Holiday	29 School Holiday	30 School Holiday	31 School Holiday

Nursery reopens on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 for all children.

Teacher Training Days 2023-24

4/9/23
5/9/23
16/02/24
22/07/24
23/07/24

We value partnerships with families and will have opportunities for you to come and join in with nursery events. If you have free time and would like to volunteer, we would really appreciate any help (this may be reading with the children or helping to cut and laminate in the office). Please speak to a member of the nursery team if you are interested.

To raise funds for Christmas events we will be running a sponsored football skills event in November. The generosity of the nursery community is always valued and the funds raised are put to good use to benefit your children.

We continue to place an emphasis upon teaching our children about helping others through harvest collections for the East Durham Trust FEED project and Mission Christmas (donating Christmas gifts for children in our local community who would otherwise not receive a gift).

A few polite reminders

When leaving the school grounds **please hold your child's hand**, we do not want anyone to come to harm on the road .

Please **write your child's name in all the clothing** they wear to nursery.

Please try your best to **arrive at or before 9am**. The 3-4year nursery children have their taught group activity at this time. Those children arriving late are missing out on this valuable time.

Snack money is £2 for 15hour children and £2.50 for 30hour children, this is paid to your child's key person. Snack money for paid 2s is included in fees.

Changing bags need to be clearly named on the outside please. Only children who are in nappies or toilet training need to bring bags to nursery as coat peg space is limited.

All the dates for the term are included in the calendar attached and on the nursery website. Reminders will be shared on Seesaw.

Thank you for all your support.

Kind Regards

The Nursery Team

Please note: some activities in the calendar are for 3-4s only. These will have (3-4s) written beside to inform you.

If your child is unable to come to nursery **you must telephone us on 0191 527 1168** or email rosemary.lane@durhamlearning.net to let us know. Following LA safeguarding procedures we must know where a child is if they do not arrive for their session.

September Dates

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4 Teacher training—no nursery	5 Teacher training—no nursery	6 Stay and Play visit day	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Harvest donation week— all food items received will be donated to East Durham Trust	26 Harvest donations	27 Harvest donations	28 Harvest donations	29 Harvest donations	30

October Dates

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Football fun (3/4s)	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Football fun (3/4s)	12	13	14
15	16	17 Autumn walk AM and PM	18 Football fun (3/4s)	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Football fun (3/4s)	26	27	28

We have a school X account **@RosemaryLaneNS** and a Facebook account **"rosemarylanenurseryschool"** where you can follow us and find out about our curriculum and what is happening in school. The nursery website www.rosemarylane.durham.sch.uk has lots of information about our school and a calendar with upcoming events.