

Dear Parents/Carers

We would like to welcome you all back this term, a special welcome to all our new families who have joined us. A big thank you to everybody for your continued support in these challenging times. We would like to take this opportunity to update you on ours plans this term on the lead up to Christmas!

Dates For your Diary!

Children in Need -Friday 18th November 2022 . We will be wearing Pyjamas or spots to Nursery – suggested donation £1 to the Children in Need appeal

Cauliflower Christmas Cards Fundraiser – Orders in by 21st October

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 8th December

Zebedees Christmas Lunch – Date to be confirmed

Further Christmas Activities and raffle details to be confirmed!

<u>Birthday's</u>

We welcome children bringing in a cake to share with their friends on their birthday. We prefer all cakes to be shop brought due to allergens being easily identifiable on the packaging. Thank you for your co-operation



Have you liked our Facebook page? Follow us at Stepping Stones Day Nursery, Bognor Regis

Our Core Book Approach



Every term our rooms focus on a different book, your children will explore activities each day at nursery linked to this story. Having a focus book enables the children to revisit the story and really supports their early language and communication skills. It would be great if you can share these books with your children at home too.



This term our Books are

Dolphin room – Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Seahorse Room- That's not my Owl, Hedgehog and Squirrel

Puffin Room – Whatever Next!

Angelfish and Rainbow Fish – Owl Babies

Jellyfish and Starfish – Room on the Brition



Fruit Raffle

Please continue to donate some fruit and/or healthy snacks such as crackers or rice cakes to your rooms each week to support how we share healthy snacks together. Each room holds a book raffle each month as a thank you to those who donate. We really appreciate your support with this.

(All fruit will be washed prior to snack time)



Car Park Passes

If you collect during the

Southway School arrival and

departure times you will be

required to show a Stepping

Stones Car Park Pass. These

are available from the office.

Parking We have allocated parking bays for the nursery. Please use the parking bays as much as possible as parking alongside the building causes congestion and prevents other cars using the bays.

Polite reminder- The yellow no parking hatching is reserved for lorries and more importantly emergency vehicles and should not be used by any other vehicles.

Please do not park in the Southway Primary School car park, additional parking is available at The Regis School/ Arena Sports Centre parking areas.

Does your child attend another setting?

Please let us know if your child attends another registered childcare setting including childminders. With your permission we like to share your child's latest 'moving forward form' with them and encourage them to do the same, so that we can gain a full picture of their learning and development.

A polite reminder – Please remember to let us know if any of your personal details change such as phone numbers, address etc so that we can keep your child's records up to date



Exclusions for common childhood illnesses

Please don't forget that the following illnesses have these exclusions: <u>Diarrhoea and vomiting-</u> 48 hours from the last episode <u>Conjunctivitis-</u> 48 hours from start of treatment <u>Chicken Pox-</u> 5 days from the onset of rash, providing spots are dry and healed over <u>Hand, foot and mouth</u>-48 hours from onset of rash, providing children are well and the child's mouth is not causing them discomfort <u>Covid-19</u> – We will continue to follow the latest NHS guidelines.

Winter Clothing

Please ensure your child has a <u>named</u> warm coat to wear at nursery. We will be going outside in all weathers therefore it would help us if you could also provide a set of Welly boots and waterproofs on wet days!



We have decided to participate in a 'Christmas Design Project' run by Cauliflower Cards. The project aims to encourage childrens' creativity and mark making skills whilst also raising funds for our nursery.

Your child has been creating their own Christmas design which can be professionally printed to produce personalised Christmas Cards, Gift Labels, Wrapping Paper and Mugs!

We have had lots of positive feedback over the years and all products are a great idea for sending a more personal greeting to friends and family at Christmas and the Mugs are great for

gifts!

Orders and payment must be made online using the unique code located at the top of the 'pupil order form'. Please refer to your order form for further instructions.

All artwork where orders have been placed must be places by: Friday 21st October. Cards will be delivered by the beginning of December.

