

# Ollie's News

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Do you require a paper copy of this newsletter? If so, please let Mrs Cocks know.

Our "busy" bees are back with us and we are a hive of activity again with laughter, fun and play at the heart of everything we do!

We are all so amazed at how settled the children are and we must thank you for all the positive chat you must have had with them regarding returning/starting nursery - watching them run up our little path is a joy to see! This week has been all about the children being happy and confident in their surroundings, seeing their friends again and making new ones, and us all getting to each other.

To help us get to know you all a little better, we are asking that you upload a family photo to Tapestry so we can chat to your little one about who is in their family. If you have forgotten your password and need a new one sending, please let us know.

Next week we will start to ensure that the foundations are in place for our pre-schoolers before looking at "letters and sounds" in a couple of weeks. For those new to us, our pre-schoolers look at a new phonics letter/sound every couple of weeks and we would normally ask you to send in an item from home that matches the letter for us to talk about, however at this time we would ask you send a photo of the item, either via Tapestry or emailed to your child's key person.

It has been a busy first week as we all get used to a new way of working and a new way of greeting our families - we feel it has gone really well, but if you have any concerns, please get in touch!

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**Baby News:** Usually this news would have been announced much sooner, but those that are familiar with the team here at Ollie's, may have noticed that one of our members of staff is missing at the moment! Mrs Anderson has started her maternity leave this week, as her baby is due in October. We are all very excited for her and of course her family and wish her a restful few weeks as she prepares! Once we have any more news, we will of course let you know.

**Lunch Boxes:** Please could we ask that you send your child's lunch in a Tupperware type box and not a lunch bag. Lunch boxes are much easier for us to clean down and store in our fridge when they arrive in the morning. We know there are some fabulous bags out there from sparkling unicorns to scary dinosaurs, but we really need a "normal" lunch box. Thank you.

**Emails:** We will always endeavour to respond to emails in a timely fashion, however, if you have sent one out of hours, perhaps in the evening or over the weekend these will probably not be responded to until the next working day.

**Billing:** Mrs Terrins will be looking at sending invoices out within the next couple of weeks and we will hand these to you as you drop off/collect your child. For any payment queries please contact Mrs Terrins.

**Breakfast and After School Club:** A special thank you to the children who have been attending our breakfast and after school club in years 1 through to 6. We fully appreciate that this is very different for many of you, and we are all very impressed with the way you have responded to the "new rules" - we know there are lots of things to remember. It has only been our first week of re-opening and we are sure there will be tweaks along the way as we try and establish the service again. As a reminder to parents, entry to breakfast and after school club for these year groups is now through the outside hall door. (Please can parents pass on the new arrangements to those who may be involved with drop off/collection). This drop off and collection point will now also apply to our nursery children and reception children - (purely for breakfast and after school club).

#### **Diary Dates:**

**23.10.2020 - Ollie's closes for half term**

**02.11.2020 - Inset day in line with school (closed)**

**03.11.2020 - Ollie's reopens**

**18.11.2020 - Ollie's Closes for Christmas at 12.30pm**

**04.01.2021 - Inset day in line with school (closed)**

**05.01.2021 - Ollie's reopens**

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