



Newsletter Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parent and carers,

Welcome to the start of the Autumn Term at The Children's Workshop. We hope you have all had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the next exciting stage in your little one's lives. Our new children have been so resilient at separating from their parents/carers and settling into the preschool routines. They are already showing independence by choosing their activities and confidence when making new friends. We are very proud of our returning children, who have come back a little bit taller and eager to learn. Seeing the older ones nurture and support the newer children has been lovely. This week our theme has been Summer and next week we start our All About Me theme and really get to know the children. Please can you bring in a photo of your child as a baby.

This is my first newsletter as Manager and I am looking forward to meeting you all either this week or next week. I have been the Owner of Flying Start Preschool for the last 4 years and before that I was Deputy Head Teacher of a Primary School in Woking. I am absolutely loving my time working in preschools and feel we have such an important role in early years to provide a positive start in your children's educational journey and ensure they have an eagerness to learn and leave ready for school.

Our Staff

Sarah Maynard – Manager
Sarah Abrahams – Manager last year (staying for a handover period)
Shardelle Godfrey – Deputy Manager
Christine Abrahams – Deputy Manager last year (staying for a handover period)
Malgo Kuziora – Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator (SENCO)
Linda Avdulaj – Early Years Practitioner
Alison Blunden – Early Years Practitioner
Anna Cebrian Ferrer – Early Years Practitioner
Claire Ford – Early Years Practitioner
Dafina Kerolli – Early Years Practitioner
Sherrilyne Morris – Early Years Practitioner
Mahshid Ramezani – Early Years Practitioner
Debbie Smith – Early Years Practitioner
Anne Tickner – Early Years Practitioner
Claire Farman – Business Manager



Packed Lunches

Children staying for the later sessions 1.30pm and 2.30pm will need to bring in a healthy packed lunch in an appropriate lunch box/bag (no plastic bags), we ask that you do not include fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate. We do ask that nobody brings in any nuts/peanut butter/pesto containing nuts, due to nut allergies. Please ensure grapes/olives/cherry tomatoes/blueberries are cut up to avoid a choking hazard. Please place lunch boxes on the trolley outside and water bottles in the box.

IMPORTANT: Please ensure the child's name is clearly visible on the outside of the lunchbox/bag.



New families, please make sure you return the Tapestry agreement. We are having an issue setting up all the ipads and therefore have not been able to upload anything to Tapestry yet. Once set up, you should receive on observation a week.

Birthdays

We will make your children's Birthdays special with our celebration candles and everyone singing. Therefore, we ask that children DO NOT bring in any gifts/treats to hand out to the children. Thank you.



Session Times



9.00am-12.15pm
9.00am – 1.30pm (Packed Lunch)
9.00am – **2.30pm** (Packed Lunch)

Please note the new finish time of 2.30pm to allow staff enough time to pack away and pick up their own children.

Invoices



You will receive your Invoice next week to be paid by Friday 22nd September. Please contact office@childrensworkshop.co.uk if you would like to discuss payment of your invoice. Funding Forms will also be sent out via email.

Variable Sessions

You can book different session times during the week e.g. Monday finish 1:30pm and Thursday/Friday finish 2:30pm. These sessions have to stay the same each week unless you notify us of a permanent change.

Ad hoc additional sessions. If you would like to book an extra day or extend the session, please email office@childrensworkshop.co.uk in advance.

Extra sessions are charged at:
£7.85 per hour Non- Funded Children
£8.10 per hour Funded Children (regardless as to whether within funded hours)

Fees must be paid on the day