

# Advantage

Childrens Day Nursery

15th April 2019 & 22nd April 2019

Dear Parents



Eliza in Penguins Beatrice in Penguins Tiago and Ronnie in Busy Bees Oliver in Ladybirds Mason, Kacper, Jada, Cairon, Layla, Olivia and Josh in Shooting Stars	Edie in Ducklings Toby and Isabella in Bunnies Sedona, Maximilian, Andreyka, Leonid, Ayanna, Aiden in Busy Bees Emmy and Jack in Ladybirds Lael in Sunshine Fozan and Lyana in Rainbow Aanya, Laura, Isabella in Snowflakes
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We would like to wish all our families at Nursery a Happy Easter. We also look forward to welcoming our term time children back after Easter on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

### Easter Nursery Closure

Nursery is **closed** for Good Friday and Easter Monday. We re-open on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.30am.

### Easter Celebrations

The Easter Bunny and the Easter Chick will be visiting this Thursday. Easter bonnets are being created this week in time for our Easter visitors and Easter Egg hunt.

Look out for photos on Facebook next week.

### St George's Day celebrations -Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

We will be celebrating St George's Day on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and would like all children to come dressed up in red and/or white please. We will be doing some lovely art activities and having some St George's day fun throughout the day. *Please note: this is the first day back after Easter weekend.*

### Funding Forms and Payments

Funding forms for the Summer term are now due. Please ensure completed forms are returned *no later than Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April* in order for us to claim funding on your behalf.

In addition from Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May we will no longer be accepting cash payments above £500. Please pay by card or arrange a standing order for any payments above this amount. Thank you.

### Spare Clothes

We are always in need of spare clothes at Nursery. If you are having a clear out of clothes your children have grown out of please could we ask you to bring them to Nursery as 'spares'. We are in particular need of baby tops and trousers for 9-12months, 12-18months, 18-24months. In addition for Preschool we need shorts, trousers, pants/knickers for age 3-4 years and age 4-5years. Thank you.



Please could we also ask you to bring any spare clothes back if you have borrowed them recently.

#### Upcoming dates

\*Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June (whole Nursery) and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June (Preschool only) -Parents' Evenings -1:1 Meeting with your child's keyperson. More details to follow closer to the time

\*Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Preschool Graduation celebrations (school leavers only). Date and venue still to be confirmed.

#### “What to Expect When- a parents guide to the Early Years Foundation Stage”

This is a useful link for you to understand the learning and development of your child at various ages in parent friendly terms. It will also help you understand your child's focus week and observations we write on Tapestry. If you would like to download your own copy please follow the following link:

<https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/what-to-expect-when/>

If you have any questions about the Early Years Foundation Stage please talk to staff in your rooms or alternatively email Melody Cox, our Education Consultant on [melody@advantagedaynursery.co.uk](mailto:melody@advantagedaynursery.co.uk)

#### Question of the Week

Don't forget you can 'vote' for our 'Question of the Week' in Reception. Your feedback is important to us and this is a simple way for you to let us know about how you feel about various aspects of the Nursery.

#### Tapestry

We welcome any feedback about Tapestry. If you would like to share your feedback please email Melody Cox on [melody@advantagedaynursery.co.uk](mailto:melody@advantagedaynursery.co.uk) . Thank you.

If you are new to Tapestry we hope you are enjoying looking at your child's Learning Journey. If you want any other relatives to access your child's Learning Journey you would just need to check with them they are happy for you to share email details and then send their details to Melody Cox (see below), along with your child's name and room. Melody will then upload details onto your child' account.

In addition if your child has recently moved to a different age group you should have received a new activation email to access the next Tapestry package (Please note: babies and toddler rooms are in the same Tapestry 'package' -you will not receive an email until you child moves to our 2-3s' rooms. If you have any issues please contact Melody.

Please contact Melody Cox via email [melody@advantagedaynursery.co.uk](mailto:melody@advantagedaynursery.co.uk) for any queries or feedback about Tapestry.

#### 30 hours Government Funding

If your child has or is turning 3 between 1<sup>st</sup> April and 31<sup>st</sup> August you maybe eligible for 30 hours funding. Please check and apply by visiting the government website at [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk). Should you already be eligible please remember to re-confirm your eligibility every three months. Failure to do so will result in you falling out of entitlement.



### Tax Free Childcare

Paying by Tax free childcare is getting more and more popular. Please can you ensure you pass on your Tax free childcare reference number to Bernie at Reception via email [admin@advantagedaynursery.co.uk](mailto:admin@advantagedaynursery.co.uk) so that your payments can be correctly allocated. Thank you.

If you want to find out more about Tax free childcare and the 30 hours extended funding please follow the link [www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator](http://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator).

### Twitter & Facebook

Thank you for following us on Facebook and Twitter. We are enjoying reading your comments and hope you love the updates too.

If you would like to follow us on Facebook the link is <http://tinyurl.com/advantagefacebook> Please take a look!

If you would like to follow us on Twitter our account is [@AdvDayNursery](https://twitter.com/AdvDayNursery). You can also see all our tweets on the home page of the website at the bottom of the page.

This week's menu is Menu 1 and next week's (W/B 23/4/19) is Menu 2, which you can view or download from the Parents section of our website [here](#). Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely

**Hazel Moody**  
Nursery Manager

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### **April**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup>-Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> (inclusive) – Term Time only children Easter Holidays

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Easter hat Parade

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> and Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> NURSERY closed for Easter weekend

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> St George's Day

### **May**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday- Nursery closed

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday- Nursery closed

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>-Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Term time only children Holidays

### **June**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Parents' Evening (whole Nursery, incl Preschool)

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Parents' Evening (Preschool only)