



Online Safety for under fives

Children of all ages enjoy using technology. We are now seeing children younger than ever using smart phones, tablets and going online to play games, talk to family, watch videos and even learn to use voice enabled tech like Alexa and Siri to find out about their world. Whilst we value the need for technology as times are changing, we want to help you to keep your children safe whilst doing so.

NSPCC suggests the following

- ✓ You should start talking to your child about keeping safe online at an early age. It's easier to have conversations about online safety little and often, rather than trying to cover everything at once. Set boundaries from the start. It makes it easier than trying to play catch-up at a later stage.
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- ✓ Check that websites are suitable before your child visits them.
- ✓ Talk to friends about what websites their children use.
- ✓ Play games with your child to get them used to being online. Set 'Safety Mode' up on YouTube or use kids You Tube to help filter out explicit content.
- ✓ If you use Google, turn on Google 'Safe Search' to filter explicit content from your search results.
- ✓ Ensure your home page is set to a child-friendly website. Google has a child friendly version called KIDDLE

In setting we have no child accessible technology that connects to the internet to protect your children whilst in our care

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Our named First Aiders are.

Dawn Stevenson

Sarah Balata

Kate Johnson

Kim Foxhall

Lucy Bingham



Diarrhoea and vomiting illness

Please can we politely remind all parents that we follow the public health guidance for infection control and the exclusion period for any diarrhoea and vomiting is 48 hours from the last episode of either.

This is to reduce any further outbreaks for more information please visit the useful information section on our website

<https://kirkgatechildcare.co.uk/useful-information/>

Welcome Holly



Holly is our new Early Years Apprentice who joined us in April and will be joining the red group children. We hope you have all had chance to be introduced to Holly.

Holly has young cousins and the various children that she has done babysitting jobs for during her teens and in 2018, she volunteered as an English Teacher in rural areas of Sri Lanka and Cambodia for 6 months, where she planned and taught a variety of lessons from grammar practice to volcano experiments! Holly found the whole experience both extremely rewarding and enjoyable and it became clear that she wanted to pursue a career in childcare.

To read more about Holly please visit our website.....

<https://kirkgatechildcare.co.uk/about-us/>

We're excited to have you join our team Holly

.We need your help.....

As the holiday season is fast approaching we're asking for your help in collecting shells and pebbles from your adventures to bring in to nursery.

We want to use them to fill one of the tyres in the garden with treasures that the children have collected from different places.

Not only will it be a talking point for the children about places they have visited but how nice will it be in years to come to know that all the children that have attended Kirkgate Childcare and moved onto BIG school have left something for us to remember each and everyone of them...

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

Parking at nursery

We have received a number of complaints regarding inappropriate parking over the last few weeks, please can we remind all parents/visitors to park in the bays provided and ask that no one parks in the thoroughfare outside nursery as this is not a parking bay. The carpark is becoming very busy and this is to allow access in and out of the carpark at all times. As always, the yellow cone will be placed in our bays to allow sufficient parking for parents dropping off and collecting

DIARY DATES

Training Day 22nd July 2019

We will be closed on the following days:

Easter Bank holiday Friday and Monday.

May Bank Holiday 6th May 19

May half term 27th May 19 31st May

HENRY

Following on from our last newsletter where we gave some information about the HENRY programme. We just wanted to make you aware that all Health Visiting teams are trained in using the HENRY approach to promote healthy lifestyles and help babies and children achieve the best possible start in life. HENRY is not just about diet and portion sizes it offers guidance to parents about Feeding - a balanced diet, eating behaviour, Physical Activity and Sleep, Parenting skills, Weight Management, Starting solids and Oral Health

If any of our parents feel they would benefit from this you can contact your Health Visiting Team on [01609 780780](tel:01609780780) and ask about "HENRY".

Parent Partnership is crucial to us and your child. Thank you to all those parents who share their child's adventures and achievements via our parent email (kirkgatechildcarePP@outlook.com) and in their Learning journey. Please could you let us know if you and your family celebrate any religious festivals and we will share these at nursery.

Please take a look at our planning board which is displayed near the water area.

Question of the month "have you been introduced to Holly, our new Early Years Apprentice"

99% of you answered 'Yes' to "have you visited our lovely new website" Which was our question of the month in March

Parent Partnership helps us plan effectively. Thank you.

If you would like to see what your child has been learning we regularly share photos and updates on our website blog and Facebook

First Aid for Parents

The Old Girls School will be holding a paediatric first aid course for parents in conjunction with MR Safety Training on **Wednesday 19th June 6.30pm to 9.00pm**

The course is free to attend however a £5.00 deposit is required to secure your place which will then be refunded on attendance

If you are interested in attending the course please visit The Old Girls School or call 01977 685178 or 07731745057 to secure your place

Term Time Only or All Year-Round Place

We have noticed while gathering numbers for the Easter holidays that there is some confusion surrounding TTO and AYR places – we would like to bring to your attention that in September our terms and conditions were sent out for this school year and parents will have chosen a TTO or AYR place. If you signed for a term time only place then holidays will need to be booked when we begin to collect numbers for the holidays and if you signed for an all year round place this means that you are paying for the holidays as well and these will be charged for as per the terms and conditions. A copy will have been issued to parents once signed

Going forward we will no longer be calling holiday car "holiday club" we will be offering TTO and AYR places as we staff for the holidays based on what kind of place has been booked

We require four weeks' notice to make amendments to your child's days/booking