

Stoneygate Nursery School



September 2023

Autumn Newsletter 2

We've had a very busy start to the new term and cannot believe that September is nearly over already! We are continuing to enjoy welcoming new families through our Stoneygate doors and our classrooms are filling nicely (and quickly!) with lots of laughter and learning. We hope you will be able to make it to one of our Meet the Teacher sessions this Wednesday to come and see for yourselves!

Dates for the Diary

Little Sparkles Sessions:	Tuesday's 10.00–11.15am £2 cost
Meet the Teacher session:	Wednesday 27 th September 10.00–11.00 am and 2.00–3.00pm
Bonfire Craft Stay and Play Session	Wednesday 18 th October 10.00–11.00 am and 2.00–3.00pm
October Half term:	Monday 23 rd – 27 th October inclusive
Christmas activities/celebrations	dates/activities to be confirmed

Reminder! It's our Meet the Teacher drop-ins on Wednesday 27th September! The sessions provide you with a chance to pop in and see your child in action in their classroom whilst having the opportunity to chat to the staff, should you have any questions about your child's development or learning. We hope you can make it!

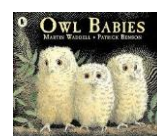
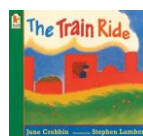
New Playground

You may have spotted our new playground equipment that recently appeared around the back of nursery! Out with the old and in with the new! The children have enjoyed climbing and exploring the new apparatus and have been keen to show us their athletic skills!



Our learning...

Our children have been enjoying exploring some new stories this week! In Little Gems, the story of 'The Owl Babies' is proving to be very popular, along with the 'Humpty Dumpty' rhyme, whilst in our Jewels classroom, the children have directed the choice to 'The Train Ride' which they have been enjoying acting out being 'real train driver's'! Scan the codes below to be taken to the stories...



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The Children's Bowel & Bladder Charity



More toilet training advice...

In our last newsletter, we shared some links and advice on potty training from the NHS; this time we would like to share some information from the ERIC website with you. Learning how to use the potty independently and stopping wearing nappies is a big milestone for your child, and ERIC tries to help make this process easier by providing an evidence-based **3 step Go Potty Method** approach. **Why not scan the QR code to the left and take a look at the advice ERIC has to offer...**

Stoneygate Uniform

Our uniform is proving to be very popular at the moment and is lovely to see so many of our children wearing it!

We still have a range of different items in various sizes, so if you are interested in purchasing any for your little one, then please feel free to pop into the office where you can ask to take a look... the hoodies are perfect for the colder weather that is most definitely on its way!



T-shirts: £8.25

Sweatshirts: £8.95

Hoodies: £11.50

Nursery Clothing...

Please can we ask you that you ensure your child comes into nursery with suitable clothing and footwear.

We will go outside whatever the weather and it is important that your child has a warm/waterproof coat and suitable shoes/boots/wellies – thank you!



As you may have already heard, Preston launched its first Family Hub at Ribbleton Neighbourhood Centre, earlier this week. The Family Hub provides one central place where children, young people and their families can access a whole range support. Working with partner organisations such as the NHS, Police, Housing or Schools, the Hub will provide you with the help you need, without having to repeat yourself to lots of different people. For more information, search:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/family-hubs/>

Polite Reminder

Please can we ask that you do not send your child in to nursery with a baby bottle to drink from; by the age of 12 months, most babies have the coordination and hand skills needed to hold a cup and drink from it, although we are aware that there are some exceptions to this. Using a baby bottle for prolonged periods of time can affect the way in which your child's speech and language will develop. If you need any advice or support, please pop in and ask one of our team – thank you!