

Welcome to all our new starters this week, there have been a few tears but this is to be expected and hopefully will be short lived as new routines become familiar and new friends are made.

This week some of the Greenfinch and Robin room children have started their Forest School sessions where they have been exploring the space and learning the 'rules'. These groups will continue to go for the next 5 weeks so we can follow their interests and develop their lines of enquiry. There is a floorbook for each room which will document the journey of each group. The plan is that each group will have an opportunity to visit during each season.

If the weather continues to be sunny please can we ask that children come to the Centre with sun cream already applied as this helps us to access the outdoor environment more easily on a morning. We will of course top up for the afternoon. Please send in your own child's sun cream if you do not pay for a Little Owls place.

For those of you new to the Centre we have found that communication via **Whatsapp** has been very effective. It enables me to get messages and reminders out to everyone quickly and out of hours, meaning that important information can be shared easily. If a message is sent to a group a Broadcast group is used, this means that the message goes to all but you do not see the group list/numbers. You are able to reply to these but replies only come to me rather than everyone like a group chat. I will add the number that you have given us as first contact, if you would like additional numbers added please let me know. To be able to receive Broadcast messages you will need to add our number as a contact on your phone, the number is **07795 333 619**

Key dates coming up

Saturday 30th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning and a chance to meet the team **9.45-11.30am**

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October - Half term for term time only children.

Thursday 2nd November – Light and Dark evening 5-6.30pm

Friday 1st December - Whole Centre closed for training. No sessions for any children.

Friday 8th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 20th December – Nursery School last day before Christmas break.

Friday 22nd December – Little Owls closes.

Tuesday 2nd January 2023 – Little Owls opens.

Thursday 4th January – Nursery School opens.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Karen