

Warminster Bright Beginnings

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Dear Parents/Carers

It's really great to see many of the children coming back to nursery for the Autumn term and lovely to see new children starting too.

As a setting and in consultation with Advisory Teacher from the Local Authority from Monday 14th September we have decided to make some changes to the rooms. We will be opening up Bumblebees and Ladybirds class and mixing the children together into one big 'bubble' group.

This is because, already we have had children and staff having to take time off for typical coughs and colds, but obviously due to Covid-19 this term, this may become more challenging e.g. staff and children having to be tested as a precaution.

If we open the room up to one big class this means when staff are off, we can still run as we need the correct ratio of staff to children. Where we have had more children, taking the children in their group 'bubble' to use the toilet every time is proving to be very time consuming, taking away the children's play time and independence to access the toilet area.

Another benefit to changing the rooms is where numbers are slightly lower in general, we can mix the children so your child/children aren't playing on their own and that they continue to gain the whole experience of socialising with other peers in nursery.

We will continue to run Personal, Social and Emotional circle groups and Language groups, these will talk place with all the children. To be able to do this more smoothly we will use some of our portable furniture to have the flexible to zone off different areas of the room. I would like to reassure you that planning and learning will be differentiated for the range of children's ages/development, as we normally do.

Jenny Gibson will continue to be Room leader for the Ladybirds class and Rebecca Craft will continue to be Room Leader for the Bumblebees children too. The same entrances and exits will be kept the same for the two ages group purely to save time and not to have one big queue coming into nursery.

I appreciate parents/carers may have some concerns or questions to ask in how the class will run so please speak to Jo Webster or Jo Spink.

At present Caterpillars staff will stay the same and where possible we will continue to have continuity of staff working in this room.

Thank you for your support.

Jo Webster