

# Verwood Day Nursery News

## Christmas 2022

As we approach the end of 2022, we would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year and look forward to everything that 2023 brings.



### Employee of the year



Congratulations to Chris who is this year's employee of the year.

It was an easy decision this year, as Chris is such an amazing and valuable member of the team. She is nurturing towards all the children in her care and supportive towards all our families.

Her wealth of experience is something we know we are very lucky to have too.

Well done, Chris !

### Welcome back

We are excited to be welcoming Kaitie back to the Apple room team in January 2023.

Kaitie has been on maternity leave and is returning to the team part time through January before returning full time in February. We are all very excited to have her back with us and I am sure the Apple room team are too!



## Current availability of spaces

The nursery is currently extremely busy until summer 2023 and in some rooms into 2024.

Many of you book ad hoc 'extra sessions' with us, and sadly we can no longer guarantee that we will be able to provide these for your child.

If there is a particular session you regularly need for your child, it may be wise to book the space. Please speak to Rachel or Craig about existing availability.

### Current availability for 2023

*The Nest – 0–2 years*

*Limited spaces available from*

*June 2023*

*Plum room – 2–3 years*

*Limited availability across all*

*sessions until August 2023.*

*Apple room – preschool – 3–5 years*

*Some sessions now full until*

*August 2024. Limited afternoon sessions*

*currently available*

**WAITING LIST NOW OPEN**



Christmas fair 2022

Thank you to everyone that came along to this year's Christmas Fair



## Christmas dinner

Thank you to our wonderful chef Danny for serving a traditional Christmas lunch for all the children and staff. They even enjoyed mince pie ice cream for dessert!



## New menu additions

We have now started our winter menu and some of the dishes that have been added are –

- Chicken tikka masala and Bombay potatoes
- Mini toad in the hole with mashed potato and vegetables
- Homemade fish and chips with mushy peas
- Lemon and ginger chicken with vegetable fried rice
- Pork and apple bake with roasted baby potatoes

Danny also prepares alternatives for all those children with dietary requirements, which are very delicious. The children at VDN certainly all enjoy their food.

## A polite reminder .....

As you are all aware as a setting, our operating hours are from 7.30am to 6.00pm and our staff are contracted to work within these hours.

This means we close our doors at 6.00 pm, therefore if you require a handover from staff at the end of the day, we ask that you please arrive by 5.50pm.

If you arrive after this time, any handover will be short and very limited. Any collections after 6pm may occur a fee.

## Nursery events for 2023

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

A Coronation celebration Spring party

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

Our annual school leavers party for all those children moving onto big school in 2023

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

Our annual Christmas Fair



Wishing all our families a very Happy Christmas. See you all in 2023!

From Rachel, Craig, and the team at VDN