

DAYCARE NEWSLETTER

2-3 Room - September 2026

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



INSET days - Friday 23rd October & Monday 2nd November
October Half term closure - 26th October-30th October 2026



Last day of term - Friday 18th December
Return date - Wednesday 6th January



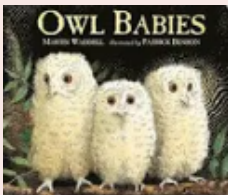
Christmas Stay & Play - Wednesday 9th December
Week commencing 14th December - Christmas Party
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LEARNING

To support your child with their learning, please refer to our Daycare display board, which is located up the corridor, near our 0-2 room. On here we share with families what our key learning focuses are for the next 2 weeks. Please take a look a when passing by, and support your child at home- please ask for further information if needed.

Our core book this half term is- Owl Babies

Every half term, we have a core book that we focus on. This half term is 'Owl Babies'.



We use Owl Babies as a lovely story for settling children and a reminder that mummy always comes back. We have an Autumn tray in our main room, where the children can explore sorting and use descriptive language in their conversations. If you go on Autumn walks please feel free to bring things into add to our Autumn tray.

COMMUNICATION WITH US



We pride ourselves on ensuring we are always available and approachable for our families.

Sometimes it isn't possible to have longer detailed chats beside the normal 'hello' and the hand over discussions in the room, due to welcoming in children and our staffing deployment, but please, if you find yourself wanting to chat with your key carer privately, or to discuss concerns, please inform Jane, Jen or Leonie and we will arrange a time, where we are able to give you our full attention and support. This can be arranged by calling the room on 01903 276862 or emailing Jen on: jpalmer@boundstonenursery.co.uk or Jane on: jboyland@boundstonenursery.co.uk or Leonie on: Lmcbride@boundstonenursery.co.uk

Thank you for your understanding

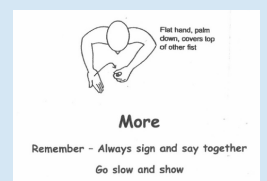
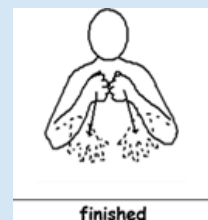
NEW WEBSITE AND MAKATON

At Boundstone Nursery School, we use Makaton signing to support communication and inclusion for all children. By combining simple signs with spoken words, Makaton helps children express themselves, build confidence, and develop language skills. Our staff use Makaton naturally throughout the day, creating a supportive environment where every child feels heard, understood, and included. You can support your child by practising the signs at home.

Some examples of our everyday signs are "More", "Please" "Thank you" and "Finished"

For more signs, Please go to our website www.boundstonenursery.co.uk to download our Makaton guide.

Tiny Happy People can help you develop your child's language and communication skills, so they get the best start in life. Please visit the website for more information. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>



REMINDERS

Lunch boxes

Please remember to collect your child's lunch box and water bottle everyday.
Please take lunch boxes out of your child's bag, and place in the box located outside of the Daycare door. Due to allergies in the room we wouldn't want to risk a child accessing the food.

Nappies & Wipes

Please can we ask that when staff communicate that your child needs more nappies and wipes that these are brought in ASAP. If your child is not in nappies, we still require a pack of wipes to be sent in and kept in your child's bag, in case of accidents.
Thank you for your understanding.

Learning journals

Every child has their own learning journal, these are kept in their drawers. We welcome you to look at these at any point, your child's Key carer will ensure they are updated at regular intervals. We would love for you to be part of your child's learning journey here at Boundstone, so please feel free to add photo's of special times at home or with family, or you can email them to your child's Key carer to print out and add here.



IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL

Thank you to all our families for your continued support and continuing to keep your child at home when unwell. As you can imagine germs and illnesses can spread very quickly in an environment like ours. If your child has sickness or diarrhoea, then they must be away for 48 hours from their last bout. If you are unsure regarding our medicines/sickness policy, please call the room and speak with a member of staff.

FAMILY SUPPORT

Are you wanting some ideas on how to manage behaviour?
Do you need some advice on sleep patterns?
Are you looking for specific support for your child?
Please join us and meet Penny from the Family Support group here every other Wednesday morning 9-11am.
Everyone is welcome, babies and toddlers too.

STAFFING

Sadly, Sophie will be leaving Boundstone at the end of October half term. Sophie will be starting an exciting new job opportunity at the Family Hub in Bognor. We wish Sophie all the best for the future. We welcome Sam officially from the 2nd November to our 2-3 team. Sam will be with us 9-3pm everyday. Sam is very excited to begin his Boundstone journey.

APPROPRIATE WEATHER

We encourage our children to enjoy all experiences on offer and from time to time this may mean they will get messy or dirty. It really helps at this time of year, if your child comes into Daycare with all the appropriate clothing. Recently we have noticed an increase in our spare clothes not being returned. We ask that you please return spare clothes to us promptly after they have been borrowed.

Please do label all items of clothing.

PARTNERSHIP

We love to hear our children talk about home and people and pets that are special to them. If you haven't done so already, please email your key carer family photo's for our display boards. This helps bring a piece of home into our Daycare, especially in the early days of settling.

When the time comes for Key carers to complete your child's Next Steps, you will be given a 'Things I enjoy at home' sheet, we ask that you fill this in and promptly return it back to us. This will help to form an inclusive picture of your child where we can set Next Steps based on interests and current development. Key carers will share the Next steps with you and ask if there is anything you would like to add. We welcome comments on the form and a signature; this is one of our ways of evidencing our parent partnership relationship. Thank you.

Many thanks for reading our newsletter and for your ongoing support. If you have any queries or questions, I am always available to chat with.

Kind regards, Leonie, Jen, Jane, Ali, Amy, Chloe, Kitty, Kristine, Heidi, Sam