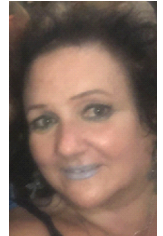


Returning to School in September

It has been a lovely beginning to the first half term. We have really enjoyed seeing many of our children return and participate in all of the activities we have had on offer. We are also welcoming lots of new children this term and they are enjoying making friends and exploring the nursery.

For those of you who may not have yet met me, my name is Kim Waters and I am the Acting Headteacher.

I am also Head at Alice Model Nursery School so, at the moment, I am spending half a day in each school. After half term I will have set days in each school and will let you know what these are in the next newsletter. For this half term, if you need to see me, please just check at the office when I will be here.



Black History Month

We are looking forward to October when we celebrate Black History Month. We will let you know what events we have planned nearer the time.

Donations for Moroccan and Libyan Disaster Fund

We have been in contact with one of our local Mosques to arrange collection of donations for the recent disasters in Morocco and Libya. We are asking for clothes, blankets, toiletries and sanitary products. Please leave any donations in Lavender Room.



School Travel Plan

International Walk to School month is in October. We are encouraging everyone to walk to school as much as possible. This summer we were awarded a Gold Level Accreditation from TfL Stars for our School Travel Plan. Well done everyone!



Wraparound Care

Breakfast and after school club are open. Please book your slots with the office if you would like your child to stay.



Clothes

As the cold weather approaches, please make sure you label your child's coat, hat, gloves and scarf.



Fruit

The school helps children to understand the importance of eating healthily. If children want a snack during the day we would like them to eat fruit or a healthy snack. If every child brings in one piece of fruit, rice cakes or bread sticks a week then we will have enough to share with everyone. Many thanks.



School Library

All children can choose a book to take home each week. Please buy a library bag from the school office. Our library days are:

Monday: Poppy

Tuesday: Sunflower

Thursday: Bluebell

Please enjoy reading together.



Ideas for Learning at Home

Maths bags are available to take home every Wednesday morning. They contain a variety of games and resources to explore maths with your child. We will also be giving out ideas of maths at home activities to try.



Every half term we have a story theme. This half term the theme is 'All About Me.' Please take a planning sheet from the Parent's Board which has ideas for learning activities across all areas of the curriculum linked to the theme of 'All About Me.'



Please check the website for new information.

Toddler Group

Please join us on Thursday mornings for Stay and Play 9:30-11:30.

Dates for Your Diary

Half Term

School is closed from Monday 23rd October –Friday 27th October

School Re-opens Monday 30th October. See you all at 9:15am.

Harvest Food Banks

After half term we will collect packets and tins of food as well toiletries to give to local food banks. Please leave them in the box at the entrance.



Fireworks

We will have a small display of fireworks for the children to enjoy on Friday 3rd November at 11:00. Please join us for biscuits and hot chocolate!



Kim and all of the team at Columbia Market Nursery School.