



At Calmore Registered Charity No. 1062510

Picking up your child from pre-school

If someone different needs to pick up your child and they are not on our known contact list, please could you phone us in advance and let your relative/friend know the password. We will not be able to allow them to take the child otherwise.

Thank you

Drinks

Please could we ask that you only fill drinks bottles with water. It's so much healthier generally and kinder to teeth.

Thanks for your co-operation.

School Dinners

Please send us your orders & payments by midday on Wednesdays for the following week. The cost per meal is £3.10.

Parent Meetings

We are now taking bookings for parent meetings taking place this term. It's an opportunity for you to meet and talk to your child's keyperson.

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Sickness at Pre-School

If your child has a high temperature or is feeling unwell, please keep them off pre-school until they no longer have a high temperature and are feeling well enough to attend.

If your child has a sickness bug, they cannot return until 48 hours after the last episode.

Staff Structure

Manager Tracy Mitchell

Deputy & Safeguarding Ruth Houghton

SENCO Donna Broom

Practitioners

Marlene, Vanessa, Amber, Lisa, Nicole, Emma, Alana, Loren, Hayley, Vicki, and Sue (bank staff)

Support Staff Lorna & Bethan

Admin Assistant Denise

Payment of Invoices

Please be aware that it is our policy that unless the previous half term's invoice has been paid in full, your child will not be able to attend sessions the following term until the debt is cleared. If they are funded, they will be restricted to funded hours only.

Payment deadline for Autumn Term 1st Half is Monday 20th October.

DIARY DATES

Oct

27th - 2nd Nov Half Term

Nov

5th AGM 7:30pm Calmore Community Centre

7th Photographer at pre-school

Dec

15th - 19th Christmas Crafts Week (info to follow nearer

the time)

17th School Christmas Dinner (info to follow)

19th Last day of term 22nd - 4th Jan Christmas Holidays

Jan

5th Inset day (pre-school closed)

6th Pre-school reopens

Feb

16th - 22nd Half Term

Mar

27th Last day of term 30th - 12th Apr Easter Holidays

Apr

13th Inset day (pre-school closed)

14th Pre-school reopens

May

4th Bank Holiday 25th - 31st Half Term

Jul

22nd Inset day (pre-school closed)

23rd Summer Holidays begin





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Pre-school Policies

Please be aware that a folder containing our policies is kept in the foyer so that parents can read or refer to them at any time.

Privacy Notice

Our privacy statement will be posted on facebook and on our website so you will be able to refer to it as & when needed. The Hampshire County Council privacy statement will be displayed at Caterpillars.

Tapestry

Please don't forget to log in to Tapestry regularly as it contains lots of information on what your child has been doing at pre-school. It would be lovely if you could add what your child has been doing at home too.

AGM - Wednesday 5th November

It isn't long until our AGM which will be held at 7:30pm at Calmore Community Centre.

Please don't forget to let us know if you are going to attend the AGM & if you would like to be on the committee.

PLEASE, please, please make sure all your child's belongings eg clothes, shoes, bags, lunch boxes and drink bottles are NAMED.

Also please make sure you provide your child with a coat as they do go outside to play on the Infant School playground. We do not have any spare coats at preschool. If you think your child is not well enough to play outside, please consider carefully whether they are well enough to be at pre-school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Updating emergency contacts

Please make sure that we have your up to date contact numbers, addresses and child health forms. It can be very distressing for the children, parent and staff if we can't get hold of you in an emergency.



Facebook

Please ask to join our Caterpillars at Calmore Facebook Group. It's a quick way of getting messages and updates to you and for you to contact us.

Folder/Bookbags

Please remember to send in your child's folder/bookbag each day. Also check your child's bag for regular information and letters.

Safeguarding Information

If you have any concerns because you think that a child might be being abused and you want to talk to someone, or ask someone to find out what is going on, you should contact the Children's Services Dept.

During office hours (8:30am - 5:00pm you should contact Children's Services: 0300 555 1384

At all other times you should contact the out-of-hours Service: 0300 555 1373

For all emergency situations call 999.

NSPCC Helpline: 0808 800 5000 Women's Aid: 0808 2000 247

(Free phone 24 Hour National Domestic Violence Helpline)

Hampshire Police: 0845 045 4545

You can find out more about child protection at www.hants.gov.uk/child -protection