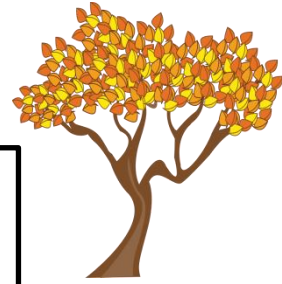


Autumn/Winter News



Health & Safety

Please can we ask that all buggies are folded down and put into a pram slot where possible, as they are obstructing a main fire exit. Thank you

Dates for your diary



Halloween disco-Wednesday 31st October 4.30-5.30pm the nursery will be having a Halloween party in the nursery garden for all the families of Crossley Mill. There will be pie and peas and other refreshments available. 2 adults per family.

Grandparents Tea- Monday 10th September we will be hosting our annual Grandparents day, 2 grandparents for each child who attends on Monday the 10th September are invited to come along to share Tea with their grandchild in their nursery room. All grandparents must be booked in via the office prior, so we can take all relevant details.

Parents evening- Wednesday 24th October 6.30-8.30pm (please book appointments with your child's keyperson)

Thank you

French Lessons at Crossley Mill



From September 2018 we will be introducing free French lessons for the Pre School children who attend Crossley Mill. A lady named Rebecca Martin will be joining us weekly (Tuesdays and Fridays) to teach French to the Gulliver Children in a fun and interactive way.



A warm welcome...



To all the new children and their families who have joined the nursery this term.



Cheers to Crossley Mill, as we celebrate 20 years of business. Thank you for coming along and celebrating with us.

Early Years planning this term.

The Babyroom- This term we will be welcoming all the new babies and their families, forming them all important bonds and helping our new tiny ones settle in to our nursery routine.

Bobkins- We are going to be saying sad goodbyes to most of our current children as they make their transition through to the Lilliput room. We have recently welcomed a few new Bobkins internally and will be continuing to focus on communication and language skills and turn taking and sharing and look forward to getting to know our newbies.

Lilliputs- This term we are going to be celebrating Divali, Halloween and the Harvest Festival, linking activities to these themes to teach the children in a fun and exciting way.

Gullivers- We wish all our Reception children the very best for their school start this term and would like to say a huge warm welcome to a new group of preschool children who are joining us from Lilliput and settling in over the next month.

Closed For



Nursery will be closed on **Monday 3rd December** for **Staff Training.**

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Staff news

This term we welcome **Bethany Royle** back from her maternity leave. Bethany is extremely excited about joining the **Gulliver team**, working alongside Nazia, Jenna and Olivia on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays allowing our busy preschool room to have 3 members of staff 5 days a week, Bethany will also be joining the Lilliput team on a Tuesday to allow time for our senior practitioner Andrea McArdle to learn more office duties and support the management team with other managerial responsibilities. **Paige Gibson**, our nursery practitioner in the Lilliput room has been offered a fixed contract here with us at Crossley Mill and is extremely excited about permanently joining our team.

Crossley Mill AGM- 2018

Financial report and accounts

Considering the future of Crossley Mill

Time and Date to be confirmed

All parents/carers are welcome to attend. The trustees and management value and invite opinions regarding the future of the charity and are continuing to recruit new board members to join us.



Late Fee/session times

Session times are as follows

AM 7.30—1pm

PM 1pm-6pm

Unfortunately you cannot drop off before the session start time and we prefer you to pick up 5 minutes before the finishing session time to ensure staff can give you a full handover of your child's day.

Polite reminder that our late fee charge is £10 for every 10 minutes-Thank you.

Christmas closure 2018/2019

Nursery will close at **6pm on Friday 21st December** for the Christmas holidays and re-open on **Wednesday 2nd January 2019**

Board news

I'm sure you'll all agree that the 20th birthday party was a great success – it's a style we'll repeat in future years. Thanks to all the staff, who as always went above and beyond their jobs to make the afternoon memorable.

Over the summer, the board commissioned a building survey on our Nursery buildings. We are lucky as a nursery that we have a local landmark to look after: we own Crossley Mill. The original Mill actually covered the site of the present-day car park and, derelict, burned down in 1964. Today's building is the remains of the old boiler house – hence the chimney (which we were pleased to find is in good shape) – which was substantially restored and converted between 1996 and 1998 into the present nursery layout. Local surveyor Richard Grayshon did an excellent and thorough job – and kindly reduced his fee as we are a charity, so please do bear him in mind if you are looking for a building survey! Overall, the building is in good shape and the present level of investment in the structure & fabric are adequate to look after it for the foreseeable future – albeit in 2019 we will address some of the less visible maintenance. Richard has designed for us a 10-year maintenance programme to stay ahead of repairs, meaning that future generations of Hebden Bridge children can continue to enjoy the unique surroundings we ourselves have inherited from those who had the vision 20 years ago to set up

New Website Coming Soon

This term we will be starting work on our new Website, the management team and members of the Board will be working alongside Ffion Atkinson a local web designer and Sarah Mason a local photographer to capture all the amazing experiences the children enjoy which will form part of our new interactive, fresh and inviting website.....Watch this space....

Consent slips will be going out soon, if you do not wish your child to be photographed for our website please return the slip via email.

Thank you

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