



# St Augustine's Early-bird & Starfish Settings Newsletter Spring Term 1 of 2















January—February 2023

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Designated Safeguarding Leads & Staff Members

Mrs Beverley Nicholls - Director/Lead DSL

Mr Andrew Nicholls - Director/Deputy DSL

Teresa - Senior Manager (DSL)

Mrs Gaffney (Deputy Manager Breakfast Club) Mrs Fenech (Deputy Manager After-School Club)Mrs Fernandes, Mrs Outtandy, Mrs Kaur,

Ms Singh, Ms N Turay

On behalf of all the staff @ Parklanes Wykeham Childcare Ltd @ St.Augustines, we would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank you all, for your continued support and we look forward to working in partnership with you and your children throughout their sessions with us. If you have any concerns or changes in your childcare arrangements, please speak to us.

<u>This will be a 5 weeks & 3 days term</u>. Returning on <u>Wednesday 4th January 2023 at 7:30am</u> & finishing on <u>Friday 10th February 2023 at 6:00pm</u> for the half term break.

(School Inset day Tuesday 3rd January 2023).

Christmas Break—We will be closed from: Monday 19th December 2022 to Tuesday 3rd January 2023 and reopening on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

Please be aware we are full on all sessions and changing of days or increasing may not be possible. Please do not adjust your fees invoice, if you have a discrepancy please contact info@childcarepwc.co.uk.

Thank You for your co-operation.



#### **BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS.**

7.30am - 9.00am 3.00pm - 6.00pm	Breakfast Club	£ 6.00
	After School Club	£14.00
7.30am - 9.00am	AD-HOC Session Breakfast Club	£ 9.00
3.00pm - 6.00pm	AD-HOC Session After School Club	£17.00

We operate a 39 week per year timetable in line with the local Primary Schools. Please be aware of school inset days and polling days.

<u>A Waiting list is in operation</u> – A change of days or extra days would need to be agreed with Management and only if a place is available.

Attendance - If your child will not be attending their contracted

After School Club Session for any reason at all, it is important that you contact Bev or Andy and let them know as soon as possible, so our Staff are not wasting valuable time looking for them.

**Please Note:** The fees letter will have to be brought in and signed by a manager when fees are paid in order to obtain a receipt and please ensure all **BACS payments include your child's name as a reference.** 

**BACS** payments preferred

All fees are to be paid in full by the end of <u>latest Friday 27th January 2023</u>, a 10% LATE charge could be added to all late payments after this date unless agreed by Senior Management. If fees are not paid or are continuously late collecting, this could result in your child losing their place within the setting. If you require more details, or a payment plan to spread costs, please speak to a member of management. All outstanding balances to be cleared unless agreed by senior management by the end of each term.

# Save the Numbers!

If your child/ren are unwell **OR** will not be attending.

Please Call. Setting: 07519 124532

Between the hours 7.30am - 9.00am & 3.00pm - 6.00pm.

This number will get you straight through to the setting directly to answer any queries you may have or report an absence. Or call-

Bev: 07752 546910 Andy: 07763 412496



#### PWC "Safeguarding"

Can all parents Please be reminded that when dropping off or collecting their children.

We have staff handover, at the infant <u>entrance door</u> and <u>NOT</u> leaving your children at the main entrance gate.

Communication is a massive factor in settling and communicating with staff and your child/ren. Thank—You!



Like us on our Facebook Page:

'Parklanes Wykeham Childcare Ltd' @parklaneswykeham'

# PWC operate an 'Open Door Policy'

Please be reminded that PWC Operate an Open-Door Policy and are here to work in partnership with all. If you have any issues or are not happy with a current event, please speak to a senior member of the management team. Thank You

Our opening hours are from 7-30am and staff will NOT open or let your child/ren onto the premises beforehand. Please also take into account the intercom system is linked to Wi-Fi, and a delay could drop in signal, thus not opening straight away!

# **Topics**

# Planning, Topics and Themes!

Activities are planned through the children's interest and ideas every term. This works by the Staff sitting down at the end of each term asking what theme they would like to do and write down all activity ideas this is linked with our After School planning.

Topics—Under the Seas,

Week 1: Chinese New Year of the Rabbit & Australia Day

Week 2: Year six leaver T-Shirts (Start)

Week 3: Icing Biscuits/cupcakes.

Week 4: Bookmarks.

Week 5: Friendship Bracelets

Week 6: Valentine cards.

# \*\*\*Please Note\*\*\* **After School Clubs**

In agreement with St Augustine Primary School and for Safeguarding concerns, Parklanes Wykeham Childcare will no longer be collecting the children from any of the clubs i.e. Karate, Irish Dancing, Football etc... the children will be brought back to Afterschool Club by Staff running these clubs. School Disco's - It will be up to the parents to arrange for their children to be collected from these sessions.

#### **IMPORTANT! Mobile Phones**

DO NOT USE anywhere on the premises.



# Passwords!

All Parents/Carers upon registering should be aware that they have a password to release their child/ren from our care at the end of a session. If you have forgotten or require a change of password, please let us know. If someone else is collecting your child please ring beforehand, they will be asked for the password.



Children will plan their own food menu and be prepared in making their own snacks were possible! We have a variety of Healthy, nutritional and low in sugar foods.

\*\*\*\* ALL allergies and dietary needs are taken into account. Parents Please advise of any changes \*\*\*\*

Parents please be aware if you are providing a snack for your child to eat, that you are aware of the

ingredients. We have children attending with **NUT ALLERGIES!** 



## Medication

We work very closely with St Augustine's Infants/Juniors with any child that may need medication whilst on school grounds. We have had a meeting with the Head and a decision was made that ALL medicine will be stored in the school office and marked clearly with the child's name, in line with St Augustine's School Policy - if a child requires medication please fill out a form for our records for medication to be administered.

# **Important Dates**

#### Reminder—Parent/Carer Questionnaires

Please visit our website and take some time to complete our questionnaire and tell us about your experiences, let us know how we are doing and how we can do better!!

### Reminders\_Breakfast Club

Please be reminded that Breakfast FINISHES @ 8.15am SHARP!

#### Please

Ensure you have collected your child by 6.00pm.

#### Late Collection Charge.

You will be issued a late charge of £5 for every 5 minutes you are late.

Thank You!

Data: Due to new legislation concerning data Parklanes Wykeham Childcare Ltd is registered with the Information

Commissioner's Office (ICO) and compliant with current **General Data Protection Regulation 2018 (GDPR UK)** 

Safeguarding Important Information

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