



We would like to wish all our families a Happy New Year  
and best wishes for 2020.

We hope you all had a relaxing and fun filled Christmas.



### Winter clothing

Now the weather is turning colder please can we ask that  
your child come to Nursery with the appropriate clothing.  
Our policy is to 'play in all weathers'.

They will need: A warm coat, a pair of wellington boots, hat, gloves and a  
wet suit if possible.

All of which, should be clearly named!  
Thank you.

This allows your child to make the most of all the learning experiences we  
have available.



## Celebration

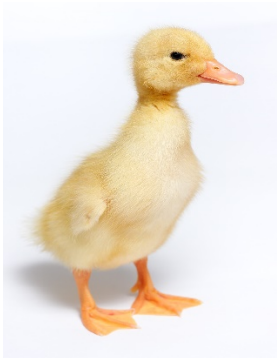
We would like to say a huge congratulations to our former apprentices, Molly & Amy. They have both worked extremely hard and have almost successfully completed their Level 3 qualification in Child care and Early Education. (We are just waiting for their certificates!)

We are pleased to add that they have accepted full time positions at The Pink Cottage.

## Reports

Following our successful Parents Evening in November, practitioners are writing up reports and next steps for the children.

They will be published on Tapestry and we would appreciate it if you could leave some feedback in the comments box at the bottom of the report.



The Pink Cottage is planning to play host to some little fluffy visitors soon! We are signing up with a company called "Incredible eggs"

It will be a 10-day programme. They will deliver 10 eggs which are due to hatch in 2-3 days and all the equipment needed to care for the ducklings.

We are all very excited as this will be the first time The Pink Cottage has done this. We feel it will be an amazing learning experience for all of the children with us.

## **Staff training.**

**All staff have completed: Makaton & 'On-Line Safety in Early Years'**

**Donna : 'Managing Effectively'**

**'Motivating boys'**

**'Implementing the 3 I's effectively'**

**Kelly : 'Implementing the 3 I's effectively'**

**'Five to thrive'**

**'Communication friendly Early Years Settings'**

**Lucy : 'Implementing the 3 I's effectively'**

**'In the moment planning'**

**Gemma: 'Implementing the 3 I's effectively'**

**'Supporting Social Communication in Early Years'**

**Amy & Charlotte: 'Promoting positive behaviour'**

**Molly: 'Best for babies'**

## Polite reminder

Can we please remind parents/carers how important it is that you drop your child off at Nursery at the time agreed in your contracts. Staff rotas are designed to ensure child: adult ratios are always being met.

If you are early, a member of staff will have to ask you to wait with your child until your start time.

Thank you for your cooperation.



## Spare clothes

**Please can we ask that your child comes to Nursery with a bag full of spare clothes. Throughout the day the children take part in a range of creative and messy activities, which can and normally leads to a change of clothes being needed!**

**If your child is toilet training, we ask that they wear tracksuit trousers or leggings (not jeans or dungarees) as these are easier for them to pull up and down.**

**Ensure their bag is full of pants/knickers, trousers/leggings and socks.**

**If your child comes home wearing Nursery clothes, please can we ask that you return them as soon as possible as we only have a limited supply.**

**Thank you.**

## Dates for your diary

- Thursday 5th March 2020
- Friday 10th April 2020
- Monday 13th April 2020
- Friday 8th May 2020
- Monday 25th May 2020
- Monday 24th August 2020  
to Friday 28th August 2020
- Monday 31st August 2020
- Photographer TBC
- Sports day TBC
- Graduation TBC

World Book Day.

Good Friday- Nursery closed.

Easter Monday. Nursery closed.

Early May Bank Holiday. Nursery closed.  
Nursery closed.

Spring Bank Holiday. Nursery closed.

Nursery closed for the week.

Summer Bank Holiday.  
Nursery closed.



### Snow day

In the event of any overnight snow fall, we would ask that you check our Facebook page and/or Tapestry for notification as to whether Nursery will be open for the day.

Total closure is rare but will be considered if conditions are really bad or are expected to get worse. As much as it saddens us to do this, we must ensure our staff and families can travel safely.

