

Nursery News



April 2025

Summer term

The summer term is upon us, and we are really hoping that the weather keeps improving so the children can make use of the garden without the mud, all-in ones and their wellies.

The nursery has become very full over the last few months, and the summer term is certainly going to be a very busy one.

The nursery has been actively recruiting new staff, and we are looking forward to them really getting to know the children over this coming term. We would like to officially welcome, Robyn, Amy and Tiffany that have been with us for a couple of months now along with Chloe, Zoe and Lilly. They all bring with them a wealth of knowledge either from different settings or from their own personal experiences.

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to the 4-year-olds that will be leaving us to start a new chapter at primary school. We know they will all be amazing and look forward to continuing to get them school ready over the next 12 weeks.

Term dates 2023/2024

- ✓ 22nd April – 22nd July – Summer term
- ✓ 26th May – 30th May – May half term
- ✓ 3rd September – 19th December – Autumn term
- ✓ 27th October – 31st October – half term

Inset days

- ✓ Friday 23rd May '25
- ✓ Monday 23rd Jun '25

Dates for Diary

- ✓ VE day picnic lunch – Thursday 8th May
- ✓ Stay and play – 20th May 10.30-11.30am
- ✓ Nursery photographer – Wednesday 4th Jun
- ✓ Open Day – Tuesday 17th June
- ✓ Sports day – week com 7th July (day TBC)
- ✓ Graduation party – Wednesday 16th July

Refer a friend!

We would like to offer a £50 credit on your invoice for anyone that recommends a friend to the nursery. Once they are signed up and have been with us for 3 months then the credit will be applied.



Tapestry



All parents have now activated their accounts on tapestry, this allows you to view your child's development as well as the monthly invoice. The invoices are not payable via tapestry, you must still pay via online banking, tax free childcare or childcare vouchers.

Don't forget to upload any photos or videos of fun activities you do at home.

Thank you

Nursery Photographer

The photographer will be with us on Wednesday 4th June from 9.15am. All children that are in nursery that day will have their photo taken. 😊

We will also be taking graduation photos and a group photo of the children that are going to school this year. The group photo will be at approx. 10.30am.

Any children that are not in nursery on a Wednesday are more than welcome to book an appointment to come in.

VE DAY picnic lunch

On Thursday 8th May we will be celebrating VE day with the children. We are planning on having a picnic lunch, as well as carrying out various activities throughout the day.

If the weather forecast is good we will have the picnic outside and we will be able to invite parents along, unfortunately if it is raining the parents will not be able to join us, due to the high number of children and just not enough space. Fingers crossed the sun will be shining and I will keep you updated.



Reminders

Please name all personal items

Please name ALL items that you send into nursery. This will help to prevent any mix up of items and lost property.

Items you need to bring with

you

Please ensure your child has the following on them each day:

- ✓ nappies
- ✓ wipes
- ✓ water bottle/beaker – NO JUICE OR FLAVOURED WATER
- ✓ 2 sets of clothes (don't forget socks)
- ✓ Welly boots
- ✓ Waterproof coat
- ✓ Appropriate clothing and footwear

Thank you

Free childcare offer

The nursery accepts government funding (15 or 30 hours) for children aged from 9 months to 4-years-old. If you would like to access this funding, then please visit www.gov.uk for how to apply or speak to someone in the office.

If you know anyone that would like to join the nursery, please signpost them to our website www.thorneyislandnursery.co.uk or ask them to email manager@thorneyislandnursery.co.uk

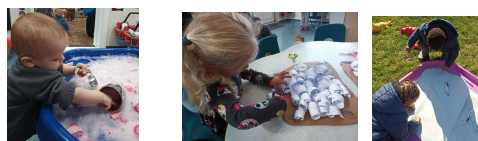
School readiness

Over the coming term we will be working hard on ensuring that the children who are off to school in September are as school ready as they can be. Please do not worry if they cannot write their name, read or that they do not know all their colours and shapes or cannot count to 10. Our job is to make sure that they are all independent individuals, have good social skills and are happy and learning in an environment that is safe and secure and that they are gaining life experiences. Yes, reading and writing is important, and we provide numerous opportunities every day for the children to learn these skills, but it is provided through play and is very much child led. The children need to learn about working together, regulating their own emotions and having a voice. This is going to look different for every child, so please be assured that we will work with your children on any area that we feel that they need a little support with and will communicate any concerns we may have with parents. Please speak to your child's keyworker about any concerns you may have, or areas that you feel your child needs additional support with and we will work together with this. Further information regarding school readiness will come out in a separate email.

OPEN DAY

Tuesday 17th June 2025

Thorney Island Nursery



We are holding an open day at the nursery for any new prospective families. If you know of anyone that may be interested, then please share this information.

They will be able to see the nursery in action from 10am - 12pm, and can call the nursery to arrange an appointment or just drop in.

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