

Puddleducks

 Pre-School SALISBURY



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Fundraising

What an incredible term of fundraising we have had. We all cannot thank you enough for your support. Money raised goes directly into enhancing the environment for your children.

The children are already loving the book sacks and they are having a huge impact.

Our Christmas Fete raised an amazing £570

We have ordered an art easel to go in the woodland area and we are putting money towards some sides that are going to go around the sides of the covered area at the back of Ducks and at the back of Ducklings covered area.

Absences

Please ensure you call or email if your child will not be attending. We need to ensure our records are kept up to date at all times especially in relation to illnesses.

Term Dates



Last Day of Term 2: Friday 16th December

TD Day: Tuesday 3rd January

First Day of Term 3: Wednesday 4th January

Family Photos

If you haven't already, please can you email or send in a family photo for us to have at Puddleducks.

We spend lots of time talking about our families and it's great to have photos to support our conversations.



Future Project

We are so passionate about the environment we provide the children at Puddleducks and what we are able to offer each individual child. We are always looking for ways to improve it and make Puddleducks more amazing!

We do a huge amount of work with individual children and small groups of children working towards specific targets. Whether that is speech and language, increasing social skills, increasing turn taking, working on concentration, or simply having an opportunity to work in a small quiet group on a project. At the moment we try to do this in the office or find a small quiet space in the rooms or outside..... our dream is to have a designated space to do this.

Sooooo we are making plans, no ordinary room will do for this, we have big plans...



A shepherds hut!!

Who wouldn't want to spend time in a fully insulated, heated beautiful shepherds hut!! We definitely do!!!

We plan for it to go just inside the large green security gate by the shed. We are building it from scratch, so it fully meets our specifications! It's no small task so it's going to take a while. We hope to start it in the Spring!

We will be putting our future fundraising events towards our new shepherds hut!

Clothing



As you know we embrace our outside environment all the time. The doors are open all day and the children are able to flow between outside and inside.

Being outside has so many positives as well as reducing the spread of bugs that are around at this time of the year.

BUT we need your children to be dressed for the weather. – Lots of layers and warm clothes and a waterproof coat is essential. Along with gloves and a hat.

Labelling!

PLEASEEEEE label all your children's clothes, hats, gloves, coats etc etc!

As you can imagine when you have 57 pairs of gloves to match and then put in the correct bags it's a nightmare!

Please make sure they are named!

New Early Years Practitioner

We are so pleased to introduce you to Emily.

Emily is joining the team in January and will be based in Ducks.



She has a wealth of knowledge and has 13 years of early years experience and is another fantastic addition to the already great team!

Senior Early Years Practitioners

We have had a slight change in staffing roles in Ducks. Hayley and Katie are now the Senior Practitioners.

They are busy planning more wonderful experiences and opportunities for your children!

We wish them both the best in their new role.

Safeguarding

The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Kirsty Merrifield.

The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is Julie Crago.

All staff regularly complete safeguarding training including scenarios during staff meetings and supervisions.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do come and speak to Kirsty or Julie.

Fire Drills

We have regular fire drills at Puddleducks, we learn where we need to go to remain safe.

We also discuss why we have smoke alarms and what they sound like. It would be great if you could explore this at home with your child/ren. Press the test button on your smoke alarm and talk about what you would do if it went off.

Merry Christmas

Finally have a great festive season/holiday and we can't wait to hear all about in next year!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope 2023 is a great one for you all. We look forward to lots more fun over the coming year!

