

Staff Changes

Emily Saxby has left the team as out of school supervisor to go back to university, we will still see Emily once a week at Woodlands she will come to do dance with the children. Rachel Ashton has joined us as out of school supervisor and Nicola Gardner has joined us to replace Wendy as a playworker. We have also welcomed to the team Sy Pryor and Emily Rigby who have replaced Michelle Brend who left due to health reasons. As numbers are increasing rapidly we have taken on Mylayna (Milly) Gordon in Fox cubs, Emma Aldrich in Butterflies and Kellie Gamble in Badgers, all new staff all about me's can be found outside the rooms and we will be producing



WEATHER

The cold weather is starting to approach, we would like to ask all parents to please provide warm clothing and suitable clothing for outside play. We would appreciate if these are clearly labelled with your child's name. We

Upcoming special dates

Below are a few dates that your child's room will be incorporating into their planning. If any parent has any other suggestion or would like to volunteer their skills on a special occasion, please let us know.

Diwali—30th October 2016

Halloween—31st October

Bonfire night—5th November 2016

Remembrance day—11th November 2016

Children in need— 18th November 2016

Road safety week—17th—23rd November 2016

St Andrew's day—30th November 2016

St Mary's Christmas tree festival—1st week in December

Christmas dates

The management team will be sitting down soon to discuss all Christmas dates for all the rooms.

This will be emailed out to all parents/carers in November. This will cover each rooms party day with a visit from Santa, nativity (for owls), carol concert (badgers) and any Christmas craft afternoons and activities Woodlands have on offer.



DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY

Funded term date opens	Monday 24th October 2016
Photo day	Tuesday 1st November and 9th November
Funded term end day	Friday 16th December 2016
Holiday club	Monday 19th—23rd December 2016
Christmas Closure	Friday 23rd December—3rd January 2017

Merry Christmas and a happy new year from all of the Woodlands team

For those of you who have Facebook, we have our own page called Woodlands Kids. Please like our page to keep updated on our latest news and



Parent partnership evening 27th October 2016 6.30pm till 8.00pm

We would like to invite all parents/carers to an child free parent evening on the 27th October 2016, 6.30pm till 8.00pm. You will have a chance to have a one on one chat with you child keyworker about their development and interest. The room will all be set up ready for a day at Woodlands, so it will give you a chance to see the activities we have on offer during the day and even get stuck in if you wish.

Photo day!

It is that time of year again, we have asked Nikki from perfect portraits to come and take children's photos. We have decided to do this over two sessions to make sure we get some lovely photos. Nikki will bring a Christmas back drop and plain one and take photos on each. The dates she will be coming are

Tuesday 1st November 2016 (11.30am onwards)

And

Wednesday 9th November 2016
(11.30am onwards)

If you can't make after 11.30am and need to come earlier please speak to Katie in the office.



MENU

Thank you for all your great suggestions on the new menu. We have now completed them and will be starting them from the week beginning 1st November 2016. If you have any questions or queries please feel free to ask your child's room leader.



Polite notice

Could we please remind parents/carers about the sessions you have booked in. Please stick to the time unless you have agreed it with one of the office team. We are open 7.30am till 6pm, unless you have booked in with an extra charge for our 7am.

Room Newsletters.

Every term the senior staff in your child's room will send a newsletter out, on these you will find what we have planned for the term and any trips that the room have organised. Any trips or special interests you would like to see Woodlands carrying out please let the seniors in your child's room know.

Senior staff are

Butterflies—Debbie Hubbard and Beth Postle

Fox cubs—Lisa Ellis and Sally Williams

Badgers—Amy Douglas and Kelly Bambro

FUNDING FOR 2,3 AND 4 YEAR OLDS

All 3 to 4-year-olds in England can get 570 hours of free early education or childcare per year. This is usually taken as 15 hours each week for 38 weeks of the year. Some 2-year-olds are also eligible. The eligibility criteria is the same as the EYPP. If you think you may be eligible please speak to Katie, Laurel or Debbie in

EARLY YEARS PUPIL PREMIUM (EYPP)

The [early years pupil premium \(EYPP\)](#) is additional funding that we can apply for to improve the education we provide for disadvantaged 3- and 4-year-olds. Some of the criteria is listed below. For more information please speak to the office.

- [income support](#)
 - Income-based [jobseeker's allowance](#)
 - Income-related [employment and support allowance](#)
- [child tax credit](#) (provided they're not also entitled to [working tax credit](#) and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

Parents page

Please visit our website at
www.parklanekids.co.uk

We have now got a parents page with lots of useful parent guides, a copy of the menus and all newsletters.