

### Thank you!

We would firstly like to thank the families of Bright Stars for your kind messages, continued support and help in re-opening the nursery. It has been a very turbulent time for everyone and after all this, we are very proud to be back open and providing care to your children. We would also like to thank our team, they have continually adapted to ever changing circumstances and have always done this with a smile on their face, spilling out positivity. We couldn't be prouder of them.

### Staff updates:

It is with great sadness that we have to say goodbye Jade from the end of July. Jade has decided to attend Cardiff University and train to be a 'Hospital play specialist' . Jade came to us as a student and her confidence and practice has grown massively, I'm sure you will agree with us, she's pretty fab! We would like to wish her the very best in her new chapter, she will be greatly missed by all of the Bright Stars family.

Lily has also finished her gap year with us and will be embarking on further studies to become a Teacher. She will be studying at Bath Spa University and we think she will be a fantastic Teacher. Lily also attended as a student and her passion and commitment was very clear to see even then. We would like to wish her all the best for her studies and a very sad farewell, you will be greatly missed.

We are also saying a very sad goodbye to Lollie who has decided to become a carer for a family member. Lollie has been loved by many children not only for her kind nature but her exciting hair. I am sure you will join us in wishing her a fond farewell.

Time to welcome some new members to the Bright Stars family. Kelly Stacey, Elisha Brockway and Sophie Sinclair. They will be joining us from August so keep a look out to say hello. All the new team members are level three trained and will be embarking on lots of training in the coming months.

### Training:

Due to the chaos and upset that COVID 19 has caused, we will be rearranging Alice's Safeguarding training and Emma's SENCO training. During lockdown, the team have updated the essential training such as food hygiene, FGM and Prevent. They have also all completed COVID 19 training before they returned from furlough.

We have very limited availability in most of the rooms now, so if you think you may want different sessions in the future, our advice would be to get in quick.

- PLEASE PACK SPARE CLOTHES FOR YOUR CHILDREN. We have very limited on spare clothes and we do not always get it returned. Thank you.
- Please bring suitable clothing to the nursery for the change in weather.
- If you are on the waiting list for sessions, Sam will contact you when it is available. She looks at it every Monday.

### Pre-School leavers:

We would like to wish our Pre-School children the very best of luck in their new chapter at School. We have had many of these children as babies so we will be so sad to see them all leave however we know that they are starting a new and exciting adventure. You will be able to download your child's tapestry journal from the 3rd August 2020, we would encourage you to do this promptly as there is usually a two week time frame. Your child's tapestry account will be deleted from October 2020, so it's important that you save those precious memories either on a stick or on a disk. Your child will be receiving a invitation for our Pre-School leavers parties very soon to celebrate the class of 2020. Keep a look out for our special keepsake video!

### Update to fees policy:

#### *Emergency and unplanned closures*

In the event the nursery is required to close temporarily, for example due to a localised lockdown, fees will be payable in full for the first four weeks. If your child has had to self isolate because either: they have a positive confirmed case of COVID 19 or are waiting a result or have been within a bubble group where there is a confirmed case, we require full payment of fees.

Due to COVID 19, we decided to postpone our fee review until January 2020. We will notify you of any changes in the coming months.

### Our website

Please can we encourage you to check our website, we often put interesting activities, news and important dates on there.

### Pre-School class 2020-2021

Please keep a look out on Tapestry for Ella's Pre-school entry meeting to support you and your child in their transition to Pre-School. There is also new and pre-loved uniform on sale,