

Newsletter: July 2020



Welcome Back

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our children and parents since our re-open on 1st June. We look forward to welcoming the rest back over the next few months. The children have all settled back in really well and seem to be enjoying being back with their friends. The team have embraced the new measures and are all working very hard to make sure everything is maintained. We are all very much enjoying being back and doing what we love every day. The children have enjoyed going to the forest and outdoor learning and seeing the animals. There are some baby ducks there at the moment which was wonderful for the children to see.

New Yurt

We have our new Yurt installed in the paddock, we are very pleased with it and the children seem excited too.

For the moment, while we are keeping children in smaller groups than they would usually be in Pre-school, the Yurt is being used by one group only, the children who are due to start Reception in September. This will change when more normality resumes, hopefully in September. The Yurt can then be used daily by the different groups of children until it comes down in the autumn. We aim to have the Yurt up from March to October. Our plan is that during September and October, it can be shared, then when it goes up in March, it will be used solely for the school leavers cohort in their final few months at Stables.

It would be lovely to teach the children all about the history of Mongolian Yurts and interesting facts about them. We would like to make a display for the Yurt with what we learn. If anyone has something interesting to add to our display, please share it with us so that we can share it with the children.

Reviews

Thank you for all your lovely comments about the service we provide. We would love to post some of them on our website which would be great for our PR, if you would like to provide a review for us, please email it to

info@stablesdaycare.co.uk

Thank you

Dates for your Diary

Week of the 13th July – We will be holding our graduation ceremonies this week for our school leavers and unfortunately parents will not be able to attend. Though we will video each child receiving their certificate and put it on tapestry.

Wednesday 22nd July – Last day of term for the term time children

Monday 6th-10th July – Dress up week, children are invited to dress in their favourite costumes for the week.

Dates to remember

August – Sports Day – this will be for the children only and parents will not be able to attend

We are sorry for any inconvenience

Day Swaps

We have always been incredibly flexible with days and times and we will strive to continue to be flexible to an extent, it is impossible for us to offer day swaps at the moment. The task to schedule the rotas accordingly and ensure we have the correct number of staff ordinarily takes hours. I have always been happy to accommodate this because Stables has always been very flexible. However, at the moment we cannot mix the staff and so the staff schedules also need to be worked through carefully in advance.

Absences and Holidays

During our closure, I did not feel it appropriate to charge parents for the two months of closure for April and May. I continue to extend this for families who have not returned yet until they are ready. This is an unusual situation and I made decisions based on what I felt was fair. Please be advised that our usual terms and conditions now apply to all children who are back on roll in terms of absences and holidays.

Staff

We said goodbye to Joelle during our closure as she bought a house with her partner in Bournemouth.

We also said goodbye to Hannah, who decided not to return after we re-opened.

Keep in Touch

Remember that you can keep up-to-date with everything we are doing at Stables on our website:

www.stablesdaycare.co.uk

Here you can view our monthly newsletter, and photographs of what the children have been doing each month.

You can also follow us on Facebook at:

www.facebook.com/stablesdaycare

This month's ECAT nursery rhyme is:

Wind the bobbin up

All Rooms Planning July 2020

Child led will be mostly spontaneously organised in the moment planning according to what the children's interests and requests are on a day to day basis.

Pre-School Room

Adult Initiated Planning

Yurt group	Pre-school Group	Forest School
<p style="text-align: center;">PSED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yurt group rules Stories about transitioning to school Discussions about moving to school</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Language & Communication</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Matching games Making letters with natural resources, e.g. sticks, leaves, grass, wood, bamboo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <p>How are Yurts different to our houses? Learning about shapes, space, circumference, diameter, perimeters Water play with cascade</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Measuring heights and making comparisons using bamboo sticks</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Physical</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Making dens like Yurts Yurt models Car/toy wash Making comparisons in nature Running, hopping, rolling races</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Literacy</p> <p>Making letters with natural resources, e.g. sticks, leaves, grass, wood, bamboo Spoonerisms Re-telling stories about what we did at home</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Expressive, Art & Design</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Flags Pasta necklaces/bracelets Mud kitchen play Observational drawings of the Yurt Drawing self portraits</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Knowledge & Understanding of the World/Science</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mongolian Yurt display What are Yurts and what are they used for? What do Mongolian people wear? Animals that live in Mongolia Making bubbles Watching and learning about the swallows Bug hunt with magnife</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PSED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Washing the babies Looking after our guinea pig, what they need, what they like</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Language & Communication</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Favourite stories Rhyming words Shopping list memory game</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Water play Hopscotch in the garden Matching, sorting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Physical</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Car wash Parachute play on the field Hopscotch in the garden</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Literacy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Make a guinea pig care display Spoonerisms with our names</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Expressive, Art & Design</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Self portraits using paints Mixing colours</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Knowledge & Understanding of the World/Science</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Frozen flowers in ice Mini beast mansion</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Outdoor Learning</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Peeling with carrots Drilling - forest school medals Den building Fishing – pond dipping Mark making using natural materials Bark rubbing Gruffalo hunt at outdoor learning Fishing/pond dipping Nature mobiles Crowns Races, rolling, jumping, running down the grassy mounds</p>

Baby Room/ Toddler Room

Kindie Room/Nursery Room

Adult Initiated Planning

<p>Water play with bubbles Bubble wrap painting Nature walks Ice play Cardboard box play</p>	<p>Water Play with soap and bubbles Animal print painting Outdoor welly painting Rice play Ice play Making outdoor sparkly decorations that catch the light Nature walks on the field Assault course/ running races</p>
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