

POLKADOTS

PolkaDots Nursery@Athlone Hall

NEWSLETTER



World Book Day

To celebrate
World Book
Day on
Thursday 2nd
March, PolkaDots had a
visit from a
children's
author—our
very own
Bernie, our



manager at PolkaDots Cresswood Hall!

Bernie read us her new story, "Time to Play in Space" which has just been published! World Book Day is all about getting children interested in stories and increasing literacy in a fun way, and the



You can find more info about Bernie's book on her website. We're all very proud of Bernie and looking forward to her next book!

April 2023

Welcome back to PolkaDots! We hope all our families enjoyed the Easter Holidays and had plenty of rest after such an action-packed term! We had so many highlights, like Pancake Day kitchen creations, World Book Day Story Fun and lots of fun dressing up for Red Nose Day too! This term promises to be just as fun, with lots to look forward to—including our Teddy Bears Picnic and Graduation Day!!

Last term PolkaDots also had a visit from a photographer, and we hope all our families enjoyed seeing the lovely photos taken that day. We'll soon be sending a survey to all our families to see how you we can improve on this experience for next year—your feedback will really help us and is always appreciated!

This term we're holding an Open Afternoon on Monday 22nd May. If you know anyone looking for a nursery place in September 2023 or January 2024, tell them to give PolkaDots a visit and we'll be very happy to show them around our nursery.

While we're all looking forward to the summer term here at Polka-Dots, we're already excited about our return to nursery in September! We have a last few places available for the coming months, so if you're interested in any extra sessions this term or in September, please speak to our team or send an email to Chris at polkadotsinformation@gmail.com

Best wishes,

The PolkaDots Team!

Red Nose Day

We had so much fun at the end of last term fundraising for Comic Relief. We sold out of Red Noses and got our fancy dress clothes on for a great big end of term party too!



Thank you to everyone who helped us raise £92.50 for such a good cause!

Spring topics... Mini & Mega Beasts + Growth & Change



This term's topics are...

Transport & Vehicles



PolkaDots Nursery @ Athlone Hall

Staff Team

Head Teacher: Kath O'Shea

Manager:

Shandrika Bushell

Deputy Manager & SENCO: Alaya Rahman

Nursery Practitioners:

Kirsty Millett Lisa Ronan Rachel Butler Savannah Thomas

Administrator:

Chris O'Shea

Nursery Opening Times:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Monday} & 9am - 3pm \\ \textbf{Tuesday} & 9am - 3pm \\ \textbf{Wednesday} & 9am - 3pm \\ \textbf{Thursday} & 9am - 3pm \\ \textbf{Friday} & 9am - 12pm \\ \end{array}$

If you're arriving late in the morning or need to collect your child early then please let a member of staff know in advance. Thank you!

Nursery Mobile: 07985616644

Email: polkadotsathlone@gmail.com

Term Dates Summer 2023

Children return | Wed 19 April

Half-term holidays Mon 29 May—Fri 2nd June

Children return | Mon 5 June Last day of term | Fri 14 July

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Welcome Savannah!

PolkaDots wants to give a very warm welcome to our newest member of staff!

Savannah joined us last half-term and we're very happy to welcome her to the PolkaDots Team!!



Bank Holidays

This Summer Term has not just one but *two* bank holidays! Please be aware, PolkaDots will be closed on both **Monday 1st** and **Monday 8th May**.

Open Afternoon

We'll also be holding an **Open Afternoon** on **Monday 16th May**. If you know someone looking for a nursery place in September or January, let them know PolkaDots will be open to visitors that Monday 16th May from 12.30pm-2.30pm. To book a place contact Chris on polkadotsinformation@gmail.com or 07398000267.

Clothes, clothes!

With summer on its way, please send children to nursery in appropriate clothing—this includes hats and suncream! Can we also please ask parents to label clothing and bottles to help us avoid any mix-ups.

If you have any old clothing your child no longer uses, we'd love to have it! We're accepting clothing donations, especially trousers, socks, pants and knickers. Remember, if your child goes home in a change of clothes from nursery please remember to send in replacement clothing the next day.

Nursery Opening Times & Snack Time

PolkaDots Nursery opens at 9am each day and we close at 3pm every day except Friday, when we close at 12pm. **Please be on time** when dropping off in the mornings or afternoon. If you're running late, please send us a message on **07985616644**.

We'd also like to remind parents to send in a piece of fruit or a vegetable each day for snack time!

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