



## November 2020 Newsletter

### Important dates for your diary

**26<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> October** - half term (*term time children only*)

**13<sup>th</sup> November** - Children in Need (*Details to follow*)

**4<sup>th</sup> December** - Elf Day

**11<sup>th</sup> December** -

Christmas Jumper Day

**16<sup>th</sup> December** -

Christmas Dinner Day (*for children that usually attend this day only*)

**18<sup>th</sup> December** - Last day of term for children on term time contracts

**4<sup>th</sup> January** - New term starts

Well it has certainly been a very different few months, we would, just like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for their support during this time, your kind words and support has been very much appreciated by our team 😊

**Winter flu and Viruses** - Due to the current guidelines unfortunately we are unable to admit any child that has a temperature of 37.8 or above or a new cough, even if you feel that it is due to a normal cold/flu virus. We are also unable to administer any type of medication including temperature reducing medication such as Calpol or accept children that have been given this prior to attending nursery.

Who to contact.....

**Tara** - for enquiries regarding payments/invoices/funding  
[finance@chuckles.wales](mailto:finance@chuckles.wales)

General enquiries and booking of sessions -  
[hello@chuckles.wales](mailto:hello@chuckles.wales)

### Christmas opening hours and booking of sessions

We are closed for the following days over the Christmas period - **25<sup>th</sup>\*** and **28<sup>th</sup>\*** December and **1<sup>st</sup>\*** January, \*if your child's normal nursery day falls on any of these days' we are unfortunately unable to swap/change any booked sessions over the Christmas period to alternative days.

Our opening hours for **24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> December (Christmas Eve and NYE)** are **8am - 4pm**, all other days during the Christmas period are normal opening hours.

If you are planning to keep your children at home during the Christmas period could you please let us know so that I can amend our staff Rota's and allow our staff to spend as much time with their families as possible.

**Christmas parties** - As we are unable to have all the children in together this year to celebrate, we will be having a party week on the w/c 14<sup>th</sup> December. All the children will get to join in with games, activities and Christmas treats throughout the week, so rest assured they won't be missing out on any of the fun!!

**Masks** - Can we please ask that you help to keep our team safe by wearing a mask when dropping off or collecting your child from the main entrance - Thank you

**Christmas Fairies :-)** - This month we will be having a visit from the Christmas Fairies who will work hard to decorate our nursery with wonderful things for you and your children to enjoy. We would like to say a Big Chuckles thank you in advance to those busy bee fairies xxx



**Contact details** - It is extremely important that if you change your mobile phone/house numbers that you let us know in case we need to get hold of you throughout the day.



**Children in need** - This year our theme will be "People who help us" to celebrate all of our amazing key workers, we will be doing lots of fun activities and we'd also love to see the children dressed up. Also, instead of asking for a monetary donation we are asking for a food donation from the following list which we will take to the local food bank - Thank you in advance for your support.

**Soup.**

**Pasta.**

**Rice.**

**Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce.**

**Lentils, beans and pulses.**

**Tinned meat.**

**Tinned vegetables.**

**Parent question of the month - Would you like to see anything else included in your newsletters?**

*\*You can e-mail your response to [hello@chuckles.wales](mailto:hello@chuckles.wales) or pop them in our post box.*

**Session times** - Can you please ensure that you adhere to the session times booked for your child/ren as our staff rota's are put in place based on the number of children in at these times. Also, with the current guidelines in place we are unable to place your child into a different bubble should you arrive earlier or later than your booked time it means staff members will need to work additional time to stay with your child.

**BBBBBBBB** - As the weather is now going to start getting colder please could we have a hat, scarf and gloves for your child's care bag (please label them so they don't get lost) and also please ensure your child brings a warm coat as we will still be going outside daily.

### Group News

**Babyn Bach, Busy Bees (2-3yrs) & Plant Bach (0-2yrs)** - We are going to be doing lots of Autumn arts and crafts, getting messy making bonfire pictures and making remembrance poppies. We will be joining in with Children in need activities throughout the week and starting to make some special surprises for Christmas 😊

**Conquerors (3-4yrs)** - We have been exploring Autumn and learning all about the changes that take place by investigating in our garden areas as well as reading some of our favourite Autumn themed books. We will also be making some bonfire pictures, celebrating Diwali and making some poppies for remembrance day.

**Nominate a staff member** - Don't forget if you would like to give a team member a big "wahoo" for our board simply write the team members name, your child's name, the reason why on a piece of paper and post it into our post box 😊

**Snow** - Oh No it's that time of year again!! We will always try our best to remain open when it snows; however sometimes due to circumstances beyond our control this is not always possible due to the fact that we have to adhere to certain CIW regulations regarding staffing and health and safety. If we do have heavy snowfall then we will try our best to inform everyone as soon as possible to any changes of opening times, by telephoning parents and by posting information on our FB page.

**Your rubbish is our treasure** - Think carefully before you throw away those shiny wrappers, pots, and unusual or everyday objects, it's amazing what your children can use to create wonderful things!  
- Thank you 😊

**Bags** - Can you please make sure that your child brings a small bag with them each day for nursery as they like to do lots of pictures for and we want to make sure they are kept safe. Also, can pre-school parents please ensure there is a set of clothes in their bags in case of any little "accidents" as they no longer have nursery bags within this age group.

**Parking And The Car Park Area** - Please ensure that you are parking in the designated parking bays when dropping off and collecting your children as this causes minimum disruption to other cars. Also please be aware when driving and reversing in this area that there may be children behind you.

Until next Time.....

*Amy*  
And  
Team Chuckles

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**\*Wait! Don't go yet - keep reading as your monthly menu is on the next page so that you can see all of the delicious meals your children are enjoying this month 😊**

**Chuckles Monthly Menu**  
**Breakfast : Weetabix or Rice Krispies**

| W/C – 09/11/20 | Lunch  | Tea  |
|----------------|--|--|
| Monday         | Sweet and sour pork with rice                          | Homemade Leek and potato chowder with a bread roll   |
| Tuesday        | Cottage pie with broccoli and carrots**                | Toast with mackerel in tomato sauce and sweetcorn    |
| Wednesday      | Chicken, new potatoes, stuffing and mixed vegetables** | Prawn pasta salad (pasta, prawns, cucumber, peppers) |
| Thursday       | Cauliflower macaroni pasta bake with peas              | Sausage roll twists with beans                       |
| Friday         | Fish cakes, waffles and spaghetti                      | Homemade Chicken noodle soup                         |

| W/C- 16/11/20 | Lunch   | Tea   |
|---------------|---|---|
| Monday        | Roasted vegetable pasta bakes and garlic bread            | Homemade steak bakes with spaghetti         |
| Tuesday       | Corned beef pie with beans                                | Welsh rarebit with homemade coleslaw        |
| Wednesday     | Pork, new potatoes, stuffing, broccoli, cauli & carrots** | Homemade minestrone soup                    |
| Thursday      | Chicken chasseur and rice                                 | Scrambled egg with ham, pittas and tomatoes |
| Friday        | Tuna pie with sweetcorn                                   | BBQ Chicken wraps with mixed pepper sticks  |

| W/C– 23/11/20 | Lunch   | Tea  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Monday        | Dairy free chicken korma and rice                             | Tuna melts with homemade potato salad and cucumber sticks        |
| Tuesday       | Cheese and broccoli pasta bake and garlic bread               | Jacket potato with Mexican bean salad and cheese                 |
| Wednesday     | Toad in the hole, new potatoes, mixed vegetables, onion gravy | Homemade curried potato and veg pasties with naan bread mint dip |
| Thursday      | Battered fish with mash and beans                             | Carrot and red lentil soup with a bread roll                     |
| Friday        | Gammon, crispy croquettes, peas and parsley sauce             | Coronation chicken filled pittas with pepper sticks              |

| W/C- 30/11/20 | Lunch   | Tea  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Monday        | Vegetarian mozzarella pasta bake                    | Jacket potato with tuna, mayo and sweetcorn                        |
| Tuesday       | Chicken and mixed vegetable casserole and rice      | Ham, cheese and tomato toasties with beans                         |
| Wednesday     | Beef, new potatoes, Yorkshires, parsnips and peas** | Pin wheel pizzas with, garlic bread, pepper sticks and a dip       |
| Thursday      | Sausage casserole and mustard mash                  | Vegetable Egg fried rice with sweet curry sauce and prawn crackers |
| Friday        | Fish fingers, crispy potatoes and spaghetti         | Homemade vegetable soup and a roll                                 |

**\*\*All served with Homemade Gravy**

Water is served with each meal and throughout the day and a selection of fruit is served after lunch.

**Some foods may contain genetically modified ingredients. Some of our meals may include ingredients that contain 1 or more of the following 14 allergens:** celery, cereals containing gluten, crustaceans, eggs, fish, lupin, milk, molluscs, mustard, nuts, peanuts, sesame seeds, soya, sulphur dioxide.

**If you have any concerns regarding any of the above allergens please speak to a member of our team immediately.**

*\*All dietary requirements can be catered for please feel free to speak to a member of our team for alternative meal choices*

*\*If you would like further information about any of our meals please speak to a member of our team*