

Adventurers Newsletter
August / September 2023

## **WELCOME**

Hi all,

We hope you all had a good summer. We can't believe we are starting another new year of the Adventurers! We would just like to welcome back all the children from last school year and also lots of new ones who will be joining us too. We are going to make the most of the current good weather and try to do lots of things outside. We will run arts and crafts competitions throughout the year to fit with our weekly themes:

W/C 4.9.23 ~ Zero waste week

W/C 11.9.23 ~ Climate change week

18.9.23 ~ Talk like a pirate (with pirate themed activities)

25.9.23 ~ World Heart day.

This month's competition is to make the best pirate using a small wooden spoon.

## Thanks, the Adventurers Team







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## **DIARY DATES**

Closed all Bank holidays (2024): 1st January, 29th March, 1st April, 6th May, 27th May, 26th August

Closed Training Days: 2nd January 2024, 26th July 2024

October Half Term Holiday Club: 30th October to 3rd November2023

Christmas 2023: last day open Friday 22nd December—re-open Tuesday 2nd January 2024

## Jigsaws Curriculum

September's curriculum focus is to be an Explorer & Investigator: To have a thirst for knowledge, to question and challenge ideas. To develop resilience and keep on trying.

# Parking at drop off and pick up from Jigsaws

We have received a request for parents not to park on Laurels Farm Drive when dropping children off or picking up from Jigsaws as it is causing issues with residents trying to get in and out of the estate and blocking visibility to oncoming traffic. Please try to use the White Horse car park where possible.

Also do not park on the zigzag yellow lines directly outside Jigsaws as this is prohibited.

Thank you.

# **Staff News**

Congratulations to Laura Sanderson who has been promoted to Room Supervisor in the Discoverers Room. We wish her well in her new role and also with her studies as she works towards her Level 5.

## **Parentzone**

Please check Parentzone for moments showing what the Adventurers children are doing before and after school. If you have forgotten your log in details please contact Helen@jigsawschildcare.co.uk

# **Important: Drop Off Times**

A reminder that you should not drop children off before their start time; if your child is due to start at 9am they should not be dropped off before then as we will not have the correct amount of staff available. We are also unable to allow children into Jigsaws before 7.30am. Thank you.

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## Meet the Adventurers team



Linda Ross QTS



Laura Sanderson
Level 3 Practitioner, working towards Level 5

## **Mobile Phones and Tablets**

Children are not allowed their own mobile phones or tablets in Jigsaws on a normal school day. This is due to safeguarding issues relating to photographs and viewing inappropriate content. If your child needs to take a phone with them to school, this should be handed in to a member of staff for safekeeping until school start time or collecting. If you need to speak to your child or they need to speak to you, please use the Jigsaws landline 01937 558951. Tablets and handheld games are permitted in holiday club but will be closely supervised. This is for the safety of your child and other children.

Amie Ross—Operations Manager

Helen Smith - Business Manager

Rebecca Sharp —Deputy Manager/Forest School Lead

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