

At Red Roof we aim to be responsive to the needs of our local community; raising aspirations for all children and families who access our provision whilst offering a safe, caring and stimulating environment.

Dear Parents / Carers,

I would firstly like to welcome all our new nursery families to Red Roof. We understand your child starting nursery is a big step and there may initially be tears but your child's key worker will be here to support them to adapt to their new routine.

We hope all our families have had an amazing summer and are looking forward to the busy term ahead. We have lots planned for this upcoming term including learning all about ourselves, investigating the changes of Autumn and Christmas!

Updates and reminders throughout the term will be emailed to parents and added to our Facebook page. We will also share what children have been learning about in nursery and encourage parents to share their child's achievements from home.

Newsletters are sent out once per term and it is important that parents read these to keep up to date with what is happening, term dates, events etc.

Nursery contact details are:

Tel: 01977 610931 / Mob: 07877486954 / Email: cstephenson@kinsley-fitzwilliam.org.uk

Attendance, Absence & Lateness

Good attendance is important for all children in nursery to ensure consistency, routine and a positive start to their education.

It is important that parents contact nursery if their child is going to be late or absent to let us know.



If parents fail to inform us of a reason for lateness or absence we will follow the procedure for unauthorised absence set out in our attendance policy.



Children return to nursery for the Autumn term on **Mon 1st Sept**

October half term: **20th Oct until 31st Oct**
(2 weeks)

Christmas break: **22nd Dec until 2nd Jan**
(2 weeks)

Nursery is **CLOSED** for:

Staff training - **Thurs 9th Oct (1 day)**

Early closure - **Fri 19th Dec at 12pm**

Christmas closure

Wed 24th Dec until Fri 2nd Jan (8 days)

Spring term then starts on 5th January.

Policy Amendments

Updated / amended policies have been sent out to all families so please refresh yourselves with these for the upcoming term.

Important changes:

- Due to health and safety children can no longer wear clogs, clogs or unsecured sandals as their main footwear to nursery.
- Nutrition guidance has changed so our menus have been amended to meet requirements. Please read food and drink policy for packed lunch guidance.



Home Learning Opportunities

We put a focus on communication and language at nursery; this helps children to develop their speaking, listening and understanding skills.

For parents to support this we encourage reading at home for all children.

Toddlers:

- We have nursery rhyme and story sacks available with puppets and props.

Preschool:

- We have a preschool library where children take a book each week which is then returned and swapped the following week.

Parent Training & Workshops

We are offering **free online paediatric first aid courses** to our families. These are completed at your own pace with a certificate available after completion.

If we gain enough interest we will also be offering some **parent workshops** all about learning in the early years, child development and communication & language with practical advice and support from nursery staff.

If you are interested in either of these please register your interest with Carly.

Community: Nursery Bears

We have 2 nursery bears called Betsy & Buddy who love to spend time with the children at home!

Your child's key worker will send the bear home with a book to share at bedtime when it is their turn.

Parents can then share photos of their activities to be added to our community displays.



Supervised Toothbrushing

Following the success of our initial year tooth brushing at nursery this will be continuing.



As the funding is ending parents will now be charged termly for toothbrushing, currently this will be priced at £5 per term.

It is a fantastic addition to our nursery routine to ensure children are happy and healthy ☺

Nursery toothbrushing is not designed to replace toothbrushing at home.

Educational Visitors This Term...

- Super Star Sport will continue to do sport lessons once weekly in our preschool room. There will also be an opportunity for some of our toddlers to take part this term!



- Zoo Lab will be coming to visit us to share their 'Zoo on the broom' story with some amazing creatures, animals and creepy crawlies!



Children In Need 2025

Friday 14th November



Children and staff can dress up in their favourite bright and colourful outfits for the day!

We will be doing lots of creative and crafty Pudsey and Blush activities.

Autumn Menu Changes:

- Halloween afternoon teas:
 - Thurs 16th Oct
 - Fri 31st Oct
- Bonfire dinner - Pie & peas:
 - Wed 5th Nov
- Christmas dinners:
 - Tues 16th Dec
 - Thurs 18th Dec
- Christmas buffets:
 - Mon 22nd Dec
 - Tues 23rd Dec



Bring & Take Clothing Basket

We now have a very full clothing basket! It includes tshirts, jackets, baby sleeping bags and more!

Please donate items you no longer require or take items that you need.



Staff News

- Emily has now started her maternity leave.
- Georgia has finished her qualification and is now a nursery practitioner.
- Mandy is now based in our preschool room.



Parent Reminders:

- Children should bring a bag to nursery each session which includes spare clothing, wipes and nappies if needed.
- As the weather begins to get cooler your child will need appropriate outer wear for outdoor play
- No toys from home should be brought into nursery.

Blood Pressure Checks & Swap to Stop



Trained staff will be available in nursery reception to do blood pressure checks and give NHS swap to stop advice / materials to nursery families on the below dates:

Tues 7th Oct 8:50am-9:30am
Thur 20th Nov 1:50pm-3pm

Survey Monkey: Parent Feedback

We now use survey monkey for all our nursery feedback.



The links to access them will be emailed out to parents so they are able to share their views on our setting!

If you would like any advice or support to help your child or family we are here to help. Please come and see us!



Christmas at Red Roof

At the end of term all children will bring home a bag of Christmas crafts they have completed during December. These activities and crafts are planned experiences for all children so if your child misses sessions they may not get the opportunity to do everything.

- Children's Christmas photographs will be taken throughout the week starting Monday 1st December.
- Christmas movie sessions will be on Monday 8th December and Friday 12th December. Children are welcome to attend in their pyjamas and hot chocolate and biscuits will be offered during the movie.
- See menu changes above for Christmas dinner and buffet dates.
- Christmas play and craft afternoon will be hosted by nursery on Friday 19th December 12:30pm-2:30pm and all nursery children are welcome to attend. Nursery will be closed from 12pm for this event and children must be supervised by a parent or responsible adult throughout. This session will include lots of activities and crafts for families to do together.
 - On this day (Fri 19th) Red Roof Café will be selling children's packed lunch boxes for nursery children between 12 and 12:30pm. They will be charged at £2.50 and must be pre-ordered and paid for by Wednesday 17th December. Please see Carly (Nursery Manager) to order.



Community Information, Events & Activities...

Red Roof Centre's Pantomime Puss in Boots

Monday 1st December

Start time: 6:30pm (may be subject to change)

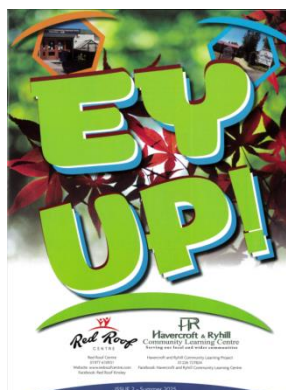
Tickets on sale from November.

Winter Wonderland

Saturday 13th December 1pm - 4pm

An afternoon filled with crafts, family entertainment, stalls, games and a visit from Santa.

Tickets needed to visit Santa's grotto.



EYUP Newsletter

All households in the local area will receive one of these newsletters through their post box and they are also available to collect from Red Roof Centre.

They have been put together to ensure residents are informed about what there is available in the local areas.

If you wish to view the newsletter online please follow this link:

[Projects | Red Roof Centre](#)

SEND Drop In Morning

A fantastic opportunity for families to drop in to speak to professionals about services that are available to children with SEND.

A raffle will be held on the day with amazing prizes available including tickets from Gootopia and Little Fishes!

If you would like any information please contact Carly Stephenson on 01977 610931 or cstephenson@kinsley-fitzwilliam.org.uk.



Neighbourhood Policing Teams Contact Point

If you have any concerns, queries or information you would like to share with the NPT or if you would like to ask for advice they are now using the Red Roof Café as a contact point. They will be here, 10am-11am, on the following dates:

11th September / 2nd October / 13th November / 4th December

In The Red Roof Centre...

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AND GROUPS

MONDAY CAFE 10-2PM

Step Up - Career Advice 9-4pm
(2nd Monday of the month)
Citizens Advice - 10-12pm
Keep Fit Aerobics - 10-11am
Leeds Credit Union - 9.30-3.00pm
Healthwatch Wakefield - Monthly

TUESDAY CAFE 10-2PM

Stay, Play & Weigh - 9.30-11.15am
Family First Wellbeing Course - 4.30-6pm
Karate - 7-9pm

WEDNESDAY CAFE 10-2PM

Yoga - 11.30-12.30pm
The Exodus Project - Kidz Klub (Term Time Only)
Beginners Running Group - 6.30pm-7.30pm

THURSDAY CAFE 10-2PM

Blood Pressure Checks 12-3pm
Swap2Stop 12-3pm
Neighbourhood Watch Contact Point - Monthly

FRIDAY CAFE 10-2PM

Buggy Walk - 10am-11am

Red Roof CENTRE

WAKEFIELD ROAD, KINSLEY, WF9 5BP TEL: 01977 610931

Help at the Hub

At The Red Roof Centre we have advisors available to listen to your situation and work with you to find solutions and give support to help improve things for you. We are able to signpost to relevant agencies and help you to get in touch with the right people.



Buggy Walk

Every Friday at 10am

Opportunity to socialise with other parents and see the local area. Walks have previously included visits to Fitzwilliam play park, Water park / Vale head park and the country park.




Family First - 12 Week Wellbeing Course
Starting 22nd July 2025

Tuesdays 4.30-6pm
The Red Roof Day Nursery
Kinsley WF9 5BP

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Websites / Information for parents, carers & families...

- Wakefield safeguarding children's partnership:
 - [Home page - Wakefield Safeguarding Children \(wakefieldscp.org.uk\)](https://wakefieldscp.org.uk)
- Wakefield Families Together:
 - [Wakefield Families Together – Wakefield Families Together](#)
- SEND Local Offer:
 - [Wakefield SEND Local Offer | Wakefield SEND Local Offer \(mylocaloffer.org\)](https://mylocaloffer.org)
- Wakefield 0-19 service:
 - [Growing Healthy Wakefield 0-19 Service - Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust \(hdft.nhs.uk\)](https://hdft.nhs.uk)
 - [Facebook](#)
- Family Hubs:
 - [Family Hubs – Wakefield Families Together](#)
 - Cedars - [Facebook](#)
 - Havercroft - [Facebook](#)
- Childcare choices - Help paying for childcare:
 - [Homepage | HMRC Childcare Choices](#)
- Tax free childcare:
 - [Tax-Free Childcare - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)
- Safe sleep:
 - [The Lullaby Trust - Safer sleep for babies, Support for families](#)
 - [Facebook](#)
- Toilet training / toileting support:
 - [Home - ERIC](#)
- Supporting children's learning and development:
 - [BBC Tiny Happy People](#)
 - [BookTrust: Getting children reading | BookTrust](#)
- Mental health support:
 - [Samaritans | Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy | Here to listen](#)
- Men's mental health support:
 - [Andy's Man Club | #ITSOKAYTOTALK | Andy's Man Club \(andysmanclub.co.uk\)](https://andysmanclub.co.uk)
 - [Facebook](#)