



# **DRAGONITOS**

## **January Newsletter**

### Newsletter 002

Hi all,

A very Happy New Year to all our lovely families. We hope you all had a good Christmas and are all looking forward to saying goodbye to a year most of us would rather forget! Looking forward now to 2021 and on a positive note we look forward to hopefully happier and healthier times. A big thankyou to all for helping us adhere to all the rules and regulations currently imposed on us.

### Christmas

We have been really busy over the month of December and we hope that all the children have enjoyed all the activities games and arts & crafts we have completed. I can only apologise for the Santa not appearing on the day of the party but I was advised that this was against the measures put in place where we are not allowed people past reception. He has promised to come next year and wrote a letter to explain.

## Daily timetable

Now we have settled into a regular routine we would like to share the activities we do on a daily basis with you all. Pre -school learning and preparation for school is obviously the aim and our day has always had a structure, however it is working slightly differently to the timetable published on the website. It is amazing to watch the skill Sandra displays getting so many young children to engage in an activity, listen and sit still. You can see the PDF of our daily schedule here:

[..\DailyTimetable.pdf](#)

## Food

Now that Rachel is back on board and settled in, we have had a closer look at our menu. As we are getting to know what the children like and dislike, we have put together a 4-weekly plan. Obviously, this is subject to alterations as we still want to be able to include your children's favourite food day, parties and country themes. We are required by Sanidad to provide a 3-course option for the main meal of the day and this provides a fantastic opportunity for our young learners to try new tastes and textures. We do understand that not all children will like everything everyday but with some encouragement it is amazing to see some trying things they haven't done before. A massive well done to all the children who have tried new things. We also wanted to reassure you that if

your child really doesn't like anything we won't leave them not having eaten anything, there are always substitutes in reserve if necessary. You can view our plan here:

[..\WeeklyMenu4weeks.pdf](#)

## Curriculum

Sandra and I have discussed the theme and our curriculum for 2021. As you will see in the timetable, we are incorporating two "lessons" a day which will be linked to the theme of that particular week and may also be linked with the daily activities. These will be structured and planned but are conducted informally i.e in a circle, on the beanbags or tables. In addition, we will have arts & crafts and manual activities attached to these themes also. We have planned the year with a variety of different subjects as well as having a monthly theme of letters, numbers, colours and countries. You can view next years curriculum here and there will also be a copy on the noticeboard:

[..\2021ThemeCalender.pdf](#)

## English Classes

Just so you are all aware, the English classes are still currently suspended until January 10<sup>th</sup> in line with the current government's extension of restrictions. I cannot assume what will happen after this but as there are rising cases in the south they will not recommence until it is safe for us to do so.

## Fiesta days

Please see here for the fiesta days for 2021:

[..\Fiestas 2021.pdf](#)

Again, a huge thankyou to you all for your continued support. Let's hope we see some return to normality in 2021.

All our love

Team Dragonitos



