

Celebrations Policy

We believe that birthday celebrations and religious holidays are very important to the lives of our children and that of their family; we look forward to them and help to acknowledge them and celebrate them in the nursery.

The setting acknowledges children's birthdays and celebrates using non-food based activities that make the child feel special.

Birthdays

We celebrate by singing "Happy Birthday" to the child during circle time. We may use a pretend cake which children then pretend to cut and share.

Parents are advised if they wish to bring something special into the setting, we recommend fruits **other than Grapes, Strawberries for choking and allergy risks or other exotic fruits (pitted dates).**

Parents and carers can bring in cakes but will need to provide evidence of receipt of purchase as we need for anything served at the nursery. Please ensure you share all ingredients including if eggs, and nuts are present as we have a fair number of children with allergies.

Religious Celebrations

For religious celebrations and seasonal celebrations, the nursery provides menus to coincide with a topic / theme. Activities, games and songs also link at these times.

E.g.

Chinese New Year – Stir fry vegetables, noodles & Egg fried rice

Halloween – Pumpkin designs and apple bobbin and other games

Autumn Harvest Festival – Vegetable soup

Easter – Painted eggs

Diwali – Dolls and puppets to retell the story of Rama and Sita and Special Indian Meal

Eid Mubarak - Rice pudding, Saffron Rice, Dates, Pitta bread and dips.

If you have any festival that you would like us to celebrate, then please feel free to talk to the Manager or Deputy manager and we would be very happy to celebrate.