



NEWSLETTER

Dear all parents

July has been busy for all of us here at the Nursery; unfortunately the Sports day was cancelled due to the weather so this has been rearranged for Wednesday 12th August. The contribution list will remain the same, however if you are now unable to make it please do let us know and we can change the list accordingly. So watch this space for photos and team updates in August.

I would also like to welcome three new members of staff, Val, who works in Toddlers, Jamie, in Older Babies with Tammie and Jody who leads the Pre-School. I am delighted to welcome them to the team, they have already proved to be a real asset to us, do pop your head around the doors and introduce yourselves to them, they'd be happy to talk with you.



We were very kindly invited to the Shellingford School to watch their school production of The Lion The Witch and The Wardrobe. It was absolutely fantastic and the children had such a good time, may we thank all of the staff and children at the school for the kind invitation. They have worked really hard to produce such a great show.



We have also been awarded a considerable grant to help develop our garden, we are so lucky to have the space we do and it will be a fantastic opportunity to develop this further. In the entrance foyer is a plan of the proposed new garden, please do take the time to have a look. Your feedback is invaluable to us and we would appreciate your thoughts and ideas, so please

submit them on the paper available in the entrance hall.

The view is that we develop the garden in keeping with our building and the area, so there will be a lot of natural planting and construction. Again if you know of any local producers of willow or chickens



please do let us know.

We are going to recycle and compost more waste with the view of being more green and efficient. We have a master composter coming to visit us to advise the children very soon. It's a very exciting time and as you will see from the plan it really will look fabulous.

We have said a sad farewell to many Children this month who are off to school, we wish them all the very best, they will be sadly missed by their peers as well as the team.

Stephanie Chapman
Nursery Manager

Pre School

Firstly a big thank you to you all for making me feel so welcome at Nursery, now just a little bit about myself, my name is Jody and I am the new Preschool room leader, I am 21 years old and have been working at another nursery for 2 ½ years, I started as a Nursery Assistant in the baby room, then after 1 year I was promoted to Room Leader and 2nd in charge. I am looking forward to all the new challenges and gaining valuable experience and getting to know all the lovely children and staff.



A little game in the afternoon.

We have been busy creating a Travel Agent in our role play corner, many thanks for supplying lots of holiday brochures. We made our passports and looked to see where we would like to go and how we would get there.



We have been practising sports day a lot so when we get the sunshine we will all be really speedy, we love the sack race. The children have discovered some great team skills too.

Things have been messy as we've explored different ways we can use paint. Using lots of different tools to help us such as marbles, our feet and paintbrushes.



Look what we found in the cupboard!

Toddlers

Firstly a welcome to Val Burns, Val has a NNEB in childcare and has been working with children for a great many number of years. She brings much enthusiasm and fun to the group and all the children are loving having her around, as are we.

Whilst Susan is in France working on her Chateaux we have been busy looking at the foods we like to eat

and making sticky pictures. We have been playing with the spray foam and gloop and getting really very messy. We have taken lots of pictures of ourselves playing with our friends and these are on the walls in the Toddler room. We found the parachute hiding in the cupboard so bought it outside to play, this was great fun.

Older Babies

We would like to do lots of welcomes this month. Iestyn and Joseph have joined us from the younger babies. They are having a great time with all of their new friends.

Again a new comer to the team, we would like to welcome Jamie Dee, Jamie has just recently taken her A Levels and has been granted a place at Northampton University where she plans to study Early Years. Jamie is no stranger to children as she is one of nine siblings. She is thoroughly enjoying meeting and playing with all of your babies and is forming great relations with children and staff alike.

The Older Babies have been busy creating lots of paintings of numbers that now adorn the walls and show of their creative skills. We have been able to get in the garden a bit and really enjoyed having our photos taken by Dee Harris of Dee Harris photography.

Younger Babies

We would like to welcome Erin Adey to the baby room. We all adore her; she has a smile for everyone.



A true master piece.

We have all enjoyed getting messy in the spray foam and creating pieces of art that are up on the walls. We nearly have everyone's picture on the birthday board, but if you haven't yet sent in a photo could you please do so?



Our resident climber, Mount Everest here I come!

We have had a fond farewell to Iestyn and Joseph, both of which were really ready for the challenge of Older Babies. They have settled incredibly well, and luckily they are only next door if we need to pop round and say hello.



Wind the bobbin up..wind the bobbin up.

Both Tina and Chloe have started training, Tina in her Level 3 award and Chloe in her Level two award, so we wish them the best with their studies.

Diary dates

12th August Sports day and family BBQ

25th August Precious Moments are in to film your child in a Tiny Adventure. If you do not wish for this to happen please speak to a staff member.

Birthdays



Adam Dickinson
Nia Avenell

Reminders

Please do make use of the DVD “Playing and Learning Together”. It’s been made in conjunction with the Department for children, schools and families and is an excellent resource. It’s divided into short sections so you can decide which bits you think are relevant to you.

It is really important that the children dress in clothes that you wouldn’t mind them getting messy in. We do wear aprons and provide as much protection as possible, but accidents do happen, they are after all only little.

Can all parents again be reminded of the speed limit through the village, although it’s quiet with the school on summer holidays there are plenty of children who are playing outside in the street.

Watch this space

I have been busy planning and preparing for an external trip. The options that I have come up with so far have been the Cotswold Wildlife Park over in Burford, or Roves Farm.

If you have any other suggestions that you may like me to look into then please do feel free to mention them.

It has been suggested (very forward planning) that we all meet up on a Saturday nearer December time and visit the Pantomime in Oxford at the Playhouse, This year it will be the Jack and The Beanstalk. Please do let me know if this is something you would like to get together on.

