



NEWSLETTER

November 2008

Dear Parents,

It's only October and the snow has already come. We had a fantastic snow day during half term and we have written more about it further in this newsletter. Thank you once again to Cheryl Tissot, Debra Adams and Claire Brown who stayed on that snowy morning to help while the staff got into Nursery. It is very much appreciated by all.

Annual Fee Increase

We wish to advise parents that as of January 2009 we will be revising the fees of the Nursery sessions. You will each receive details of your new fee payments via letter. We wish to remind Parents that fees are payable in conjunction with the terms and conditions of registration by the 2nd of each month via either direct debit or Nursery Vouchers. Direct Debit will collect the amended fees on the 2nd January 2009. If you are making payments via Nursery Voucher please can you advise your voucher company of any amendments in time for payment of the vouchers in January.

In the Pink



Everyone made a great effort for our In the Pink day raising money for Breast Cancer Care. Even the boys managed to find something pink to wear or play with. The pink balloons were a hit and kept all the children entertained all day.



We enjoyed a treat of pink milk for snack, which some children loved and some didn't.

Thank you to everyone who made such an effort to help us raise £40

Baby Room

This month the little babies have been enjoying themselves creating our lovely display board for our space topic. We all painted a rocket, planets and spacemen with sponges and dabber paints.

We have been doing lots of preparation for our Halloween party making scary pictures to decorate the Nursery with pumpkins, witches and bats.



Our babies have been doing lots of practicing with the walkers and will soon be running around the Nursery. They really enjoy being up and about with the walkers in the garden.

We would all like to welcome Chloe and Ava to the Little Baby Room who have joined us and are having a lovely time. Arthur and Lewis are both very pleased to have their baby sisters to look after at Nursery.

Emma and Emily

Older baby Room

Autumn is here and the Older Babies are enjoying the rattle and texture of the autumn leaves.



We enjoyed watching them change colour as we walk about choosing leaves in the garden to create our Autumn Tree.



Our topic for this month is space and all the babies really enjoyed exploring the wonders of space creating their own multicoloured flying 'Mother saucer' and lots of 'baby saucers' to keep her company. We also had fun putting different textures of sticking on our rockets. Even though it has become a bit chilly, older babies still enjoy going outside for a few minutes to play. We take different toys outside every day so are never bored.

Now we are coming to the end of the month, we are having fun cooking yummy Halloween cakes and decorating older baby room with pumpkins, spiders, witches and lots more ready for our Halloween party that will be fun, fun, fun.

Nicole and Yvonne

Toddlers

First we would like to say that Daisy T and Felix have moved into Pre-school and we hope they are having lots of fun.

This month in Toddlers our topic has been space so we have been sticking and painting lots of pictures of aliens, rockets and astronauts. We also made some alien masks using different coloured dabber paints.



We have got a few of our space pictures up on boards in the room and we had lots of fun helping to make our big space display which we are very pleased with. We particularly enjoyed doing flick painting to create the background of stars.

We have enjoyed being outside in the garden playing with the foam Frisbees and bumpy balls. The leaves have also been great fun throwing them up in the air and watching them float down.

We had a fantastic time playing in the snow that we had. We wrapped up warm with wellies, scarves, hats, gloves and coats and we all built a snowman. We asked Sharon for a spare carrot to make his nose. We had lots of fun making and throwing snowballs (including the staff)

although the children seemed to gang up on the staff towards the end!!



As Halloween approaches we have been making spooky decorations with lots of pictures of ghosts, ghouls, vampires, witches and bats. We have used many materials including glitter, paint, Halloween shapes and tissue paper to make the rooms look great for our party. We are really looking forward to it and will tell you all about it next month.

Sam, Claudia and Steff

Pre-School

Pre-school have been having a great time learning about the different planets in the solar system. We did some beautiful colouring of the planets and then sticking them in the correct order.



We made some sparkly silver UFO's and stuck different materials onto them for decoration, yellow moon rocks were created by adding plaster of Paris to bubble wrap, then once it was set removing the bubble wrap created a crater effect to give us our moon rocks. We dabber painted different space objects and created them into hanging mobiles which are hanging from the windows in Pre School.



We would like to welcome Daisy and Felix to Pre School and hope they have a lovely time with us.

Jen, Heather and Shakila

Garden plans

We are trying to enrich and enhance learning opportunities in the garden. If you have any of the following items you would like to donate to us please can you pass them onto Jen.

- Saucepans
- Serving spoons
- Wooden spoons
- Guttering
- Colanders

Forthcoming topics

During November we will start preparing all our Christmas decorations and displays as well as looking at some fairy tales and nursery rhymes.

Forthcoming dates

- 5th November Nursery Photographer
- 5th November – Bonfire night
- 11th November – Remembrance Day
- 12th November – Children in Need – please note we will be fundraising on the Wednesday not the Friday.
- 20th November – Parent's Evening
- 22nd November – Nursery Open Day
- 30th November – St Andrews Day
- 9th December – Baby and Toddler Christmas celebration, 3pm-5pm
- 12th December – Pre-School Christmas play and party, 3pm-5pm
- 24th December – Nursery closes for Christmas at 5pm
- 2nd January 2009 – Nursery re-opens at 7.45am



Reminders

Post Box

A few parent's have been taking advantage of our new Post box, please continue to put any mail you have into the box and it will be posted for you.

Car park

Please can you remember to drive carefully when you are in the Nursery car park. We have had a couple of complaints about parent's driving irresponsibly when entering or leaving the car park. Please maintain a low speed until you have turned out and are on the main highway.

As always we are interested in any suggestions you may have for the newsletter and other things you would like to see in it. Please pass your ideas onto a member of the team.

Kind Regards,

Jill and the Stokenchurch Team.

Last but not least . . .

We would like to wish the following children a very happy birthday, as they will be celebrating in November:

Benc Owain
Harrison Drew
Felix Daisy T
Millie



Happy Birthday

And due to my mistake last month a belated Happy Birthday to:

Emile Benjamin M

Korbyn Joshua B



Ruby