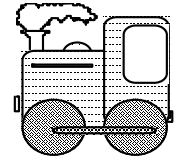


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Staffing Update

I dream of being able to send out a newsletter without having to give updates about staff but due to the fact that most of the staff (with the exception of a few, like Daniel perhaps!) are having babies it looks like being a permanent feature for the next few months at least!

Sabina has decided not to return after her maternity leave; she wants to be able to enjoy being at home with her boys while they are still little. We will miss her contribution to the Under 2's.

Louise went off on her maternity leave a little earlier than expected and has given birth to a beautiful baby girl called Sophie. We wish Louise and family well over the coming months. I am interviewing next week to replace her.

You would have thought that was enough but no, Leila is also expecting and will be leaving us in July to go off on her maternity leave.

So when I find the chair that they have all been sitting on I shall be taking it to the tip! As soon as there is any more information I will let you know.

Vouchers

Thank you for all the Tesco and Sainsbury vouchers – we hope to get some valuable resources with them.

We are still collecting so don't forget to bring them in

Finally the garden is finished and I today took possession of the part behind the orange fence. We had our training on it last Saturday and we are so excited about having such a wonderful outdoors environment. (We had to stop Siân from climbing into the sand garden on Saturday!)

We shall now be familiarising the children with the rest of the area in small groups and would hope to have it fully in use sometime next week.

We are still short of resources for the garden and would like to ask parents to help us with providing some of these. I will send a separate letter detailing what we have in mind but in the meantime we would really like to ask parents if anyone has some surplus seedlings or would like to donate some plants for our growing beds. We would like to grow some vegetables and some flowers. If you can help please speak to Kerri or Cilla (our EYPS student with us for the year). We would also welcome some help and expertise in this area!

All the children must now have sun hats to go out into the garden. We would also like every child to have a pair of wellies to wear at nursery, more details about this to follow. Do come and have a look around when you drop off or collect your child.

Important news about Nursery

The ownership of the nursery changed on 1st April of this year.

"The Garden"

We do not anticipate that this will have any impact on the day to day running of the nursery.

We would, however like to call a parents' meeting on Tuesday 26th April at 6pm to explain to you what has happened.

We apologise for the sort notice of this meeting but the actual handover was delayed until Thursday last week and so we are anxious to explain the situation without further delay.

We would like to see as many parents at the meeting as possible to not only hear about the changes but to help us toast the future of the nursery in this our 20th Year.

To assist with childcare on the evening we will be offering a crèche. If possible could you let us know if you will be attending and whether you will need the services of the crèche.

We would really appreciate you making the effort to be there.

20th Birthday Celebrations-

Photo: I hope you have all had a chance to see the whole nursery photo which is displayed in the hallway of nursery (above the mirror) we got as many of the current children as possible to be in it. If anyone would like a copy please sign up on the board in the hallway.

Time capsule: another thing we are doing is a time capsule that we will bury outside to be dug up some time in the future. The children have been working on some things to put in it, but if you have any suggestions we would love to hear them.

Party: We are planning a joint birthday party/grand opening of the garden in June; the probable date is 25th June so put it in your diaries now! We are planning to have a celebrity open our garden for us and have a barbecue, children's activities and of course bury our time capsule.

More details to follow.

Nursery Closure

Nursery is closed on the following days:

Good Friday: 22nd April

Easter Monday: 25th April

Royal Wedding : Friday 29th April.

May Day Holiday: Monday 2nd

Late May Holiday: Monday 30th May

Training day: Tuesday 31st May

Party-Party-Party-Party-Party-Party-

It would seem that we are not the only people celebrating this year!

There is a royal wedding coming up very soon and we thought it appropriate to join the celebrations so we will be having a

“Prince and Princesses” party.

As we are closed on the Friday 29th April, we will be celebrating on the Thursday 28th April.

The nursery will be decked out in Red white and blue and we will be have a tea party fit for royalty!

Helpful reminders:

We would just like to remind you to help us help you!

If you are going away on holiday please give us the dates as early as possible to avoid confusion on invoices; also if your child will be leaving nursery (to move on to school) can you let us know your child's leaving date.

All that remains is to wish you all a very Happy Easter from the management and staff of nursery.

Thank you for your continued support