



News

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th-28th April - Please visit Purple Room during this time as they will be hatching and caring for chicks.

Term Dates

Summer Term begins: Tuesday 12th April (pre-school term time only children)

Nursery closed: Monday 2nd May (May Day Bank Holiday for all)

Half term: Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June (pre-school term time only children)

Nursery closed: Monday 30th May (Bank holiday for all)

Term ends: Wednesday 20th July (pre-school term time only children)

Nursery closed: Friday 26th August (Staff Training Day)

We shall be celebrating the following festivals:

23rd - St George's Day

SNAP

Thank you for taking part in the Easter Bonnet competition, all the bonnets were fabulous and really brightened up Reception. A list of winners is on display in Reception. This competition raised £28 for the Nursery. Please collect your beautiful bonnets.

****Save the date**** SNAP will be hosting a garden party on the 3rd July, 11am-1pm in the Purple Room garden. This will be a fantastic opportunity for you and your children to get together with other families and a chance for the pre-school children to say goodbye. We are aiming to include a BBQ and lots of garden games and activities so it will definitely be a fun event for all the family plus its perfect timing to kick-start summer. We would really appreciate help with this event to make sure it runs smoothly. A sign-up sheet will go up nearer the time so that you can put your name next to a time slot for when you can help however if you already know that you will be available to help at this event or are interested in joining the committee then please email Jayne on sawstonnursery.snap@gmail.com

We are still selling tote bags with the nursery logo on. These are available from main reception and are currently £4 each or 2 for £7 they are perfect for leaving in your handbag for when you need an extra bag in the shops so grab yours now!

Sports Relief

Thank you for helping us to support this event, we took part in a whole nursery aerobics class and raised £44 for Sports Relief.

Cake Stalls

Thank you for your contributions (special thanks to Zoe and Leisa) and continuing to buy all the wonderful cakes. The Valentine cake stall raised £50.75 and the Easter cake stall raised £60.75. These monies will be used to help us provide the rooms with iPods or new digital cameras.

Cambridge Regional College Award

We are proud to say that we have been awarded an outstanding commitment to Apprenticeships award from Cambridge Regional College, there is a certificate in Reception.

Staff News

- We say goodbye and many thanks to Jessica from Orange Room who is leaving us this month to be a nanny. Good luck in your new role.
We will keep you updated on her replacement.

Happy April Birthday to:

Carrie, Alice, Harry St, Charlotte, Ruby, Fergus, Lana, Elizabeth G, Bea, Rosie, Hazel, Sofi, Lilly, Molly, Anisha, Madeleine, James, Lily I, Jessica V and Toby.

Welcome to:

Tristan, Lily T and Lawrence

Congratulations to:

Andrew, Louise and Nancy on the safe arrival of Cecily
Jamie, Jayne and Elizabeth on the safe arrival of William
Simon, Iona and Amelia on the safe arrival of Henry

Parent Directors

Just a reminder that should parents wish to bring anything to the attention of the Directors please speak to management, or alternatively contact either of the Parent Directors:

Iain McFarlane - 01223 830679 or iain@mcfarlanes.me

Michael Hodkinson - 01223 502991, 07989 500 641 or hodkinson@gmail.com

Employee of the Month

Thank you for your nominations last year, we shall continue to recognise staff who have gone over and above their role at the Nursery. The winners are:

- December 2015 - Michelle Williams, Purple Room (nominated by a parent)
- January - Gemma Muir, Yellow Room (nominated by a member of staff)
- February - Ann Lander, Kitchen Assistant AM (nominated by a member of staff)
- March - Emma Gouldthorp, Orange Room (nominated by a member of staff)

If you wish to nominate a member of staff throughout the year for anything which you feel deserves this recognition, please feel free to e-mail us or speak to Tina.

Banking

We are receiving a lot of fee payments via cheque or cash again. Please can we ask if you would please pay via Standing Order or by a Direct Payment online? We can only get to the bank to make deposits once every two weeks and this may affect your cash flow and ours!! For your information payments can be made to:

Account Name: Sawston Childcare Limited

Sort Code: 20 74 05

Acc. No: 60682608

Barclays Bank Plc

Please use your child's name as payment reference.

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2016

This campaign has started again and will continue until 3 May. The voucher collection box is in Reception. This voucher scheme really helps us to get new cooking and outdoor equipment for all the rooms. Happy shopping!