



# News

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## Dates for your Diary

Parents Evening: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, see classroom doors for details

Group/Room Photographs: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May, a letter has been distributed

SNAP AGM: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm

Purple Room Leavers Trip: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June, a letter has been distributed

SNAP Garden Party: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 11am-1pm

## Term Dates

Nursery closed: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May (May Day Bank Holiday for all)

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

Nursery closed: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May (Bank holiday for all)

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

Nursery closed: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August (Staff Training Day)

## SNAP (Sawston Nursery Association of Parents)

Just to let you know that the AGM for SNAP will take place on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm. We would love to see some new faces attend this event. Jane, our current Chair will be stepping down from her position and we are keen to have a strong team to support the new Chair and the nursery. If you would like to be more involved, please do come along.

SNAP will be hosting a garden party on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. A sign-up sheet for helpers will go up nearer the time. 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](mailto:sawstonnursery.snap@gmail.com)

## Sainsbury's Active Kids 2016

This campaign is coming to an end on 3 May. The voucher collection box is in Reception, please search your wallets and purses for vouchers! This voucher scheme really helps us to get new cooking and outdoor equipment for all the rooms. Happy shopping!

## Child Permissions

Please ensure that you have returned the updated permission request form and returned to Reception. Many thanks.

## Staff News

- During April we have said goodbye and many thanks to Jessica (Orange Room), Stacey M (Orange Room) and Peter (Caretaker). Good luck all of you in your new roles, you will be missed by children and staff.
- This month we welcome Neil who will be starting as our new Caretaker.
- Congratulations to Michelle Williams who will be our new Room Leader in Purple Room working closely with Brenda Zamikula (currently working in Green Room). Michelle and Brenda will be supported by Emily Birtwhistle.
- Congratulations to Zoe Ashard who has been promoted to joint Room Leader for Green Room. This will be a job-share role with our current Room Leader in Green Room, Karen Sterecki. Karen and Zoe will be supported by Sam Swann.
- Michelle Ballantyne has moved to Orange Room as their new Room Leader.

**Happy May Birthday to:**

**Aaliyah, Ronnie, Freya and Ariyana**

**Welcome to:**

**Harry Sp**

**Congratulations to:**

**Congratulations to Simon, Iona and Amelia Page 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](mailto:iain@mcfarlanes.me)

Michael Hodkinson - 01223 502991, 07989 500 641 or [hodkinson@gmail.com](mailto: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)
- April - Zoe Ashard, Purple Room (nominated by two parents)

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**

Please use your child's name as payment reference.