

News

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Dates for your Diary

Jeans for Genes Day: Friday 23rd September Individual Photographs (by Little White Boots): Tuesday 4th October, details to follow Grandparent's Week: 10-15th October Parents Evening: Wednesday 23rd November Christmas Party: Friday 9th December (All Pre-school children are invited) Christmas Closure: Nursery will close on Friday 23rd December at 6pm and re-open at 8am on Tuesday 3rd January

Term Dates - Term time only children

The new Autumn term will begin on 5th September Half term - Monday 24th-Friday 28th October

Facebook

Hope you are enjoying all the pictures from the rooms and updates we have been posting for you. If you have not already, parents please feel free to request to join this private Facebook group so that you can see what your children have been up to. We only post pictures of children who we have a completed permission form for.

New Starters and Room Transitions

If your child has just started at the nursery or recently moved rooms, please do not hesitate to talk to the staff members in the new room about how he/she is settling and any concerns you may have. If you would like to know how they are during the day, just pick up the phone - 01223 472018 - we are always happy to talk to you. Please can we ask you to try not to call between 12.00pm-2.00pm as the younger children are asleep and it is noisy to put calls through. It is also a very busy lunch period and if no one answers please leave a message on the answerphone. Thank you.

Absent Children

If your child will be off Nursery due to sickness or any other reason, please could you try to let us know before 9.30am. This helps to let the kitchen know how many meals are required, and of course we do worry about them when they are not here and we have not heard from you!

Staff News

- Welcome back to Danielle Tomlinson who has returned from maternity leave.
- Goodbye and good lock to Ann Lander (kitchen) and wish her lots of luck in her new role as a Teaching Assistant.
- Welcome to Millie Wisbeach, who joins the nursery as our new Apprentice.
- Welcome to India Runham who joins the nursery as one of our Float Staff.
- Thank you to Clare McGregor and Nicky Pearl who are member of our Bank Staff for all their hard work over the summer.

Happy September Birthday to:

Theo, Thomas, Ella, Anabelle, Isla M, Billy, Samuel, Grace, Amy, Emily, Conor, Zero, Theo P, Taylor, Zaire, Elliot, Bradley, Gracie-Lyn, Thomas DP & Kai Welcome to:

Darcy, Max, Lucia, Evie, Thomas, Eleanor, Ffion, Grace, Joshua, Jacob, Felicity, Emily, Amy, Cecily, Leah, Jack, Zero, Imogen, Saarika, Mollie, Ben, Annousheh & Lydia

Congratulations to:

Richard, Claire and Conor on the safe arrival of Tom

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 <u>iain@mcfarlanes.me</u> Michael Hodskinson - 01223 502991, 07989 500 641 or hodskinson@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)
- May Natalie Wright, Karen Salter & Michelle Williams (all nominated by parents)
- June Shani Wright, Marc Izard & Emma Sterecki (all nominated by parents)
- July Kelly Dunne & Michelle Ballantyne
- August Zoe Ashard, Emily Birtwhistle & Shania Moorcroft

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.