

May 2019 Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

May 2019

Monday 6th - Bank Holiday - NURSERY CLOSED Monday 20th - Parent Partnership Meeting at 5pm Wednesday 22nd - Photographer in nursery Monday 27th - Bank Holiday - NURSERY CLOSED

June 2019

Saturday 8th June – Summer Fayre Friday 14th June – Father's Day Celebration

July 2019

Thursday 4th - Parents evening Friday July 12th - Nursery Training Day - NURSERY CLOSED Friday 19th - School Leavers Tea

Interests and Activities in Nursery

Piglets

The children are spending a lot of time building and constructing towers using different materials. We will extend this interest by introducing a variety of different sized cardboard boxes for the children to build with, they will also be encouraged to decorate the boxes using paint and a variety of collage materials. These activities will encourage the children to explore and experiment with a range of media and begin to balance blocks and build a small towers.

Parent participation – Please could you bring in empty cardboard boxes of any size, small, medium or large, thank you.

Tiggers

The children are enjoying a variety of mark making activities, both inside and outside, using different media. To extend this interest and link it in to the animal visits that the children have been experiencing the children will have an opportunity to make handprints, use animal stamps and to make patterns and prints in sand, rice etc. The children will also be enjoying a variety of animal stories encouraging them to talk about their own pets and different animals. These activities encourage the children to use language as a powerful means of widening contacts, sharing feelings, experiences and thoughts and to distinguish between the different marks they make.

Parent participation – Please could you bring in photographs of you pets for the children to look at and talk about at nursery. We will use these to make a display in the room, thank you. Please encourage your child to do different types of mark making at home such as outside in the soil with a stick or using chalks, crayons etc.

Christopher Robins

The children have really enjoyed visiting the Travel and Tourism Airport and from this the children have been making paper planes and flying them in the garden. We will extend this interest by introducing an airport and travel agents to the role-play area and reading stories about holidays and encourage the children to talk about their own holidays. These activities encourage the children to retell past experiences and to introduce a storyline or narrative into their play.

Parent participation - Please bring in any photographs from your holidays, or tickets, holiday brochures etc. for the children to use in the role-play area and as a prompt for them to talk about their holidays.

<u>Photographer - Wednesday 22nd May</u>

The photographer will be in nursery from 9:30am to 2:00pm. All children who attend on a Wednesday will have their photograph taken. If your child does not come to nursery on a Wednesday and you would like them to have their photograph taken please book an appointment time in the office (appointment times are available from 10am to 1pm).

The children who are leaving to go to school in September will be having a group photo taken at 1:30pm, if your child is starting school in September and does not attend nursery on a Wednesday you are more than welcome to bring them in at 1:25pm so that they can join in with the group photo.

Animal Visits

The animal visits have been a great success and we still have a few more booked for the rest of the week. The children have really enjoyed these experiences and a big thank you to everyone who have brought their pets in to see the children and to the Animal Management Department in the college.

Classroom Conversion

Converting the classroom into another nursery room is moving forward. We have had new heating put in and a sink installed. The redecoration will take place soon and after that we will order the furniture for the room.

Staffing

I am pleased to announce that we have a new member of staff starting in the nursery, Laura Ballard, her start date is at the end of May and we would like to welcome her to our team. Carley Beal will also be returning from Maternity Leave at the end of May and we welcome her back to the team.

Summer Fayre - Saturday 8th June

Our Summer Fayre is booked for Saturday 8th June and preparations are starting. We are taking donations for the Tombola and Raffle, if you have any donations please hand them to the office. If you know anyone who would like a stall please ask them to contact the office on nursery@bcot.ac.uk or 01256 306213. We could not hold these events without your help and support, please speak to Becky if you are interested in helping at this event, thank you.