



THE BCOT NURSERY

May 2018 Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

May 2018

- Monday 7th - Bank Holiday - **Nursery Closed**
Monday 28th - Bank Holiday - **Nursery Closed**
Tuesday 29th - Parent Partnership Meeting - 5pm

June 2018

- Wednesday 6th - Photographer
Saturday 9th - Summer Fayre and Open Day
Friday 15th - Father's Day Celebration

July 2018

- Thursday 5th - Parents Evening
Friday 6th - Staff Training Day - **Nursery Closed**
Monday 9th - School leavers' dress up themed week
Friday 13th - School leavers' tea

Interests and Activities in Nursery

Piglets

The children are spending a lot of time building towers with the wooden blocks, knocking them down and building the towers again. We will extend this interest by providing different coloured paints for the children to use with the wooden blocks to print pictures, we will also introduce other blocks such as duplo bricks for the children to use. These activities encourage the children to begin to notice colours in the environment and to notice and be interested in the effects of making movements which leave marks

Parent Participation - Talk to your child about the different colours in the environment asking them to point to specific coloured object for example a red car or a yellow cup.

Tiggers

The children are enjoying investigating a variety of malleable materials such as dough, water and sand, this interest will be extended to include activities such as mixing paint and shaving foam together to explore the different textures and to make playdough. These activities encourage the children to begin to be interested in and describe the texture of things

Parent Participation - Why not make some playdough at home and enjoy exploring it with your child, pick up a recipe on how to make dough in reception. We would like to make musical instruments with the children please bring in any old containers bottles etc for us to use, thank you.

Christopher Robins

The children are enjoying exploring the top garden and the plants that are growing in the flower beds. We are extending this interest by encouraging the children to plant seeds choosing between sunflowers, peas or beans and making a book recording the changes as the seeds grow. They are also looking at books about planting and growing and using a variety of coloured paint to do vegetable printing. These activities encourage the children to show care and concern for living things and to develop an understanding of growth.

Parent participation - To extend these activities at home please encourage your child to help with meal preparation and talk to them about where the food comes from.

Nursery News

Tapestry

I am pleased to announce that we will be rolling Tapestry out to all parents, except for those children who are going to school in September 2018, over the next few weeks. Please find attached for your information:

- Parent Introduction to Tapestry
- Data Protection Policy
- Technological Devices Policy

Parking

We have had reports of some parents parking in the disabled bays and in the turning bay when bringing and collecting their child to and from nursery. Please can you ensure that you park in the marked bays and are aware of others using the car park. Thank you.

Sun Policy

The warmer weather is on its way, well hopefully! The nursery ensures that the children are safe outside in the warmer weather by following our Sun Policy. We need your help in this matter and ask you to also follow the procedures in our Sun Policy. Please read the attached updated Policy, thank you.

Father's Day Celebration

Our Father's Day Celebration this year will be on Friday 15th June at 3:30pm, keep an eye out for an invitation closer to the time.

Staff Training Day

Please be aware that the nursery will be closed on Friday 6th July for our annual staff training day, therefore you need to make other childcare arrangements for your child on that day. Please note, you will not be charged for this day if your child attends nursery on a Friday. Thank you.

Staff Profile



Hi my name is Diane. I am lucky to have been employed at BCoT nursery in the Christopher Robins room. I started working as a nanny when I was 18 years old and apart from taking time out for my 6 children I have worked in childcare for 34 years. I am Level 3 Childcare and Education qualified and have completed many courses such as Paediatric First Aid, safeguarding children and the list goes on. Recently I moved to Basingstoke leaving my 6 children and, soon to be, 16 grandchildren in Yorkshire. I am really enjoying my time at BCoT nursery and hope to be here for many more years.