



NEWSLETTER 11/06/2018

Dear Parents and Carers, it is the summer term, the weather is shining and there are lots of things happening leading up to the end of the academic year 2017/2018.

Staff updates - In case you haven't heard Jade had a big bouncing healthy baby boy on the 19th April coming out at 8lbs and named Gabriel. She is doing well and wanted to a big HELLO to everyone. She hopes to come and visit us some time in the summer term.

Attendance - Please let us know if your child is sick e.g. stomach bugs and chicken pox. This is important because we may need to inform particular families who are vulnerable in health. In addition we would like to keep other families up to date on health issues so they are able to identify illnesses in their own children earlier rather than later. Over the last week two families have told us their children have had chickenpox and one child, a vomiting bug. Please also inform us if your child is absent for any reason so as to keep our register up to date. Children's absences are recorded as part of their assessments.

Parent consultations - Parent consultations week runs from **Tuesday 19th June - Thursday 28th June 2018**. If your child started nursery within the last half-term, please use this time to book a settling in review with their key person. Please do make note of time slots with key persons. This is a valuable time to meet your child's key person so please let us know if

you are unable to attend in case another parent wants to use your slot.

Mary's questionnaire - Mary's needs your help in order to gain funding to improve the appearance of the building and its facilities. Please complete our online or paper version questionnaire with Leanne at reception. It will take no more than 3 minutes of your time. Thank you

September 2018 returners - Hopefully all children going to school or nursery in September have now heard back. We would like to know if you have intentions of returning and want to change your place. If you haven't confirmed with Leanne at the reception please do so by the end of June. We are currently allocating places to other families and have 3yr places available if you know of friends or families that need a nursery place. Some children will be going to visit their schools over the term, so please let us know when the schools get in touch so we can continue to support your child in being ready. If you need any help or information about transitioning to school, please do speak to your child's key person who will be happy to help.

Islington general inspection - As you all know we had our OFSTED inspection on 2nd November 2017. In addition, as part of good practice we work closely with Islington who monitor all nurseries in the borough yearly. On 5th June we had a mini inspection and have been rated as GREEN which demonstrates our nursery practice and procedures are 'Good'. Staff here work really hard in ensuring the children have a good

quality, stimulating experience and that families get the support they need in good time.

Parents information board - Please do look at the parent's information boards in the lobby along with policies as these have been updated for you. In case you didn't know Islington have had some changes in the way services are delivered. We are in the Bright Start South area and there are a number of activities and services which you as parents can access at different children centres. If you need further information on this please ask Leeanne and she will be able to sign post you.

Children's Photographs Please could we ask all parents to make clear choices in the photo packages if you are purchasing. Group photos are £9.00 if you are not purchasing an individual package and £7.50 if you are purchasing one. The nursery will get 20% commission donated to us to go towards equipment for the children.

Lunchtime - Please remember hot lunches are to be taken out of bags and placed on the kitchen counter with your child's name on a clear label. This is especially important as the weather gets warmer.

Summer clothing and creams protectors - Children are encouraged to wear clothes that cover their shoulders and to keep cool by drinking plenty of water. Footwear is equally important as children cannot run safely in flip flops. Please help us by dressing children in appropriate summer clothes and shoes as well as bringing in labelled sunscreen if your child is here all day.

Fees ~ As a charity organisation it is important that fees are paid on time, as this goes towards the

running costs of the pre-school. Please see Leeanne at reception to make payments or if you're in need of making a payment plan to clear any outstanding money. You can also pay online through your account or by debit/ standing order from banks to nursery account.

Summer Play scheme - If you have a child that is aged between 6-12 years old, they are welcome to attend our play-scheme, which will run during the summer. Please see the range of activities on our play-scheme notice board.

Be Healthy Week - The children will be trying new foods and fruits next week. We are asking that children bring in their own water bottles to encourage them to drink more water whilst they take part in active activities. We would like you to try new foods at home and let us know what the children thought. Use the capture system by taking a photo and write a comment so it is recorded and we can view it.

Pre-school trip to the park and picnic - Friday 6th July from 10am we are planning to have a day in the beach park and picnic at Kings Square water and sand park. More information will follow, but please book the date to come with us. We will need as many parents as possible.

IMPORTANT TERM DATES TO REMEMBER

Summer Term - Monday the 16th April - Thursday 19th July 2018.

Staff Training day - Friday 29th June and 20th July 2018

Please keep these dates somewhere safe.

From: Sharon, Sinita, Alison, Seke and Keeley.