



Newsletter

2-3s Nursery June 2018

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Dear parents and carers

Summer is here, the World Cup is underway, Wimbledon will be here before we know it and so will the end of term...5 weeks to go! The children are already making excellent progress in their transition to the 3-5s and taking the process in their stride.



Thursday 21st June - Parents Evening for 3-5s

Friday 29th June - INSET Day - Nursery Closed and Open Afternoon in 3-5s 1pm - 2pm

Thursday 5th July - Teddy Bears Breakfast Club

Thursday 19th July - last day of nursery sessions

Friday 20th July - Family Picnic - 1pm - 2.30pm
- more information to come in a separate letter! (No normal sessions at all on Friday 20th July)

Transition to 3-5s

The children are busy visiting with familiar adults from the 2-3s Nursery at the moment, and will soon be visiting independently. Great to see so many of you at the 'Welcome to 3-5s Evening'. It was a good opportunity to meet the staff as well as look around the environment without the usual hustle and bustle of children. When you receive your pack of documents for the 3-5s, please complete them and return these promptly to the office to help Sarah get all the admin up to date. You will not be able to leave the premises in September without it. Don't forget you also have the chance to visit the Nursery with your child for an hour on Friday 29th June between 1pm and 2pm. There is no Nursery this day at all, so it is closed in the morning.

Your home visits will take place over the next few weeks, another chance to meet your child's new key person.

Breakfast and Lunchclub

If your child will be attending all day in September, it is a good idea to consider some lunch clubs this term. This will support the transition for your child so that their experiences are not all 'new' at the same time. If you would like your child to attend lunch club, it is from 11.45am - 12.30pm each day and costs £8.50 which includes the price of the hot meal.

Don't forget about Breakfast Club, open from 8am - 8.45am each morning. £5 per session. Please talk to Tracey if you are interested. There will be a Teddy Bears Breakfast Picnic on Thursday 5th July, let Sarah know if you want to book your child in, Teddy Bears and all!

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Birthday time!

Both our 2-3s and our Children's Centre are 10 this year (and our Nursery is 80 next year!)

More information coming in the next few weeks about something special for the 2-3s 10th birthday! #WeAre10

Royal Wedding Day

We were completely overwhelmed by the fabulous cakes for our Royal Wedding cake sale! We make a total of £177 from the day! We did not realise so many different varieties of red, white and blue cakes could be made!



Sponsored Week

Our sponsored event was also a huge success. FOND are currently counting the final total raised, if you have not yet sent your child's money in, please do so as soon as possible. The children all faced the challenge set and did a great job!

We now also have a 'full' Just Giving account, therefore if you are taking part in a sponsored event (Cycle Ride, Marathon, abseil!?!), you can choose to donate your funds to FOND. All the monies raised go directly to the children. Let us know if you want to do this and we can support you with your fundraising.



A huge thank you also to a group of students from The Ashcombe, who did some fundraising for us - they sold donuts and raised a whopping £345! Thanks team!



FOND will be arranging their final fundraiser of this school year in the next few weeks - a Summer Raffle!

We are going to be featured in the Tesco Blue Token 'Bags of Help' scheme during July and August. (Dorking Express, Gatwick Extra or Horley Express) - if you shop in any of those stores, then please give us your token and vote for us!

TESCO Bags of Help



Woodland Adventures

We revisited the Woodland at the beginning of this half term and were lucky with the weather! The environment has changed dramatically since our first visit, making our 'Hide n Seek' game much more satisfying. On this visit, the children could choose to make muddy potions, do natural clay sculptures or hunt for mini-beasts and tick off things they found on an identification chart. Thank you for all the wonderful parent helpers - we couldn't do this without you!



From the classroom

This term, the children are really showing how their thinking and understanding skills have developed. A group of children were looking at their photo sheets in the "All about me" folder. They were chatting about the people and recalling the places where the photos were taken. One child pointed to his friends' page, saying "Why isn't your baby in here?" After thinking for a moment, his friend replied "Oh, its ok, he wasn't growed then!"

Safety first

Please can you take note of the following policy:-

1. The children need to wear a hat outside, please either provide your own for your child (named) or they will be asked to wear a nursery one
2. Sunglasses are not permitted
3. Open toe shoes, sandals or crocs are not permitted
4. Long floaty dresses/skirts and vest tops are not advised - shorts, t shirts and trainers are advisable
5. Please put suncream on your child before the session

6. Please bring jumpers, hoodies or a cardigan, even if you think it is sunny, it could still be chilly if they are outside for a long period of time.
7. Please be careful if your child is 'scooting' down the path after nursery, the drive is on a small incline and there have been a few accidents recently.

You may have seen in the National Press about the rise in the oak processionary moth. Please be aware of these types of caterpillar when exploring the woods locally with your children. They can cause asthma attacks, rashes and vomiting, as well as fever and eye irritation.



Support for the Children's Centre

Thanks to all of you who have signed the National and Surrey petition to support continued funding for our Children's Centre. If you signed the Surrey one, you will have received an email explaining that it has triggered a discussion in the Cabinet meeting on the 3rd July. I will attend this, so watch this space for more information.

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Our amazing Children's Centre team are not letting this dampen their spirits and continue to do everything they can to support families. The team are organising a fun day on Friday 27th July, 10.30am - 1.30pm for families (£2 per family, tickets from the office) at our Goodwyns Road site. Face painting, farm, stalls, magician, etc! We will also be celebrating the 10th birthday of the Children's Centre - #WeAre10!


Dorking Children's Centre Fun Day
10th Anniversary Celebrations


Friday 27th July
10.30am - 1.30pm
Goodwyns Road

For families with children up to age 11 years.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Come and join us at the Children's Centre for a fun filled day, including:

- Millers Ark Farm
- Various Children's Activities
 - BBQ
 - Stalls
- Face Painting
- Magician

Entry £2 per family. To book your ticket please contact the Children's Centre on 01306 740095

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