

The Jays Day Care Nursery

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Summer Newsletter 2008

Dear Parents and Carers.
Welcome to the Summer Newsletter and what is hopefully



a glorious start to a continued sunny Summer.

Summer clothing

Now that the warmer weather is with us, could you please make sure your child has all of the following items everyday:-

- Full change of clothes
- Short sleeved T-shirt (for wet play)
- Sun hat
- Jumper/sweatshirt

We would also ask you to make sure that ALL T-shirts and dresses have a sleeve (either short or long) as the shoulders are very vulnerable to the sun. Please could you ensure that ALL items are clearly labeled.

Sun Cream



The Nursery provides sun cream for ALL the children, all we ask is that you make a one off payment of £2. This has been added to your June invoice. If your child requires a special type of sun cream then we would request that you bring this in (labeled) and let a member of staff know. This can then be noted for all to know. We will apply sun cream each time the children go outside to play; this could be 2-3 times a day. (Everyone should have given permission for our sun cream to be applied).

Water bottles



The Frogs and Tadpoles are encouraged to bring in a bottle of water, this is to help with

their concentration but please note:

- The water must be in bottles with a pull up and push down sports type lid.
- the bottles will only contain water.
- the bottle needs to be clearly labeled with your child's name.
- the children need to take their bottle home daily to be refilled.

Signing In/Out

Thank you to all parents who are signing their children in and out of the Nursery. It seems to be working well. For the benefit of new parents, it is an OFSTED requirement and does help to keep your children safe. The 'signing in' sheet is positioned in the main room as you walk in and out.

Zoo Trip



We will be taking the children who are leaving us to go to school in September to Paignton Zoo. This will take place on Monday

30th June 2008 so please put a reminder on your calendar. More details and a consent form will be issued nearer the time.



Staff Changes

We have had to say goodbye to Kathryn who has left us to take up a position as pastry chef. We wish her luck in her new job.

Leeann is now working 4 days per week in the kitchen which leaves a position open for 1 day per week (5 hours -Friday). Should you know of anyone who may be interested in this, please point them in our direction.



Summer Holiday Club

We will be running a Summer Holiday Club 4 days per week (Mon - Thurs) for 4 weeks of the school holidays. Monday 28th July until Thursday 21st August 2008. Please ask for a booking form if you haven't received one by the end of May. We hope it will be a fun filled, sunny few weeks for all who attend.

Tesco/Sainsbury Vouchers



Many thanks to everyone for all the vouchers collected. We are in the process of counting them up and will let you know what we purchase with them in due course.

Childline Printer Cartridges

Just a reminder, if you would like to send your used cartridges to help the Charity, then please help yourself to an envelope. They are situated in the 3 & 4 year olds cloakroom under the CCTV monitor.

Theme for the Pre-School

The current theme for the pre-school is 'Nursery Rhymes'. Next half term the theme will be 'Mini Beasts'.



Please look out for further information

in the Nursery. Also, have a look at our website:

www.thejaysdaycarenursery.co.uk where you can find details of our activities and lots of other information.

French Lessons



We are still holding French lessons that are now on a Tuesday morning from 10 a.m. until 10.30 a.m. This is open to all 3 and 4 year olds (even if they don't attend nursery that day) and costs £3. If you wish your child to attend, please let us know and we'll ensure they take part in the lesson.



Many thanks for all who took part and had fun on the day. We raised £50 in total.

Celebration Books



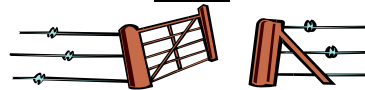
Don't forget to have a look or add any special events to your child's book. It will be a lovely record for you to keep when you child leaves the Nursery.

Questionnaire

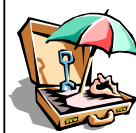


Many thanks to everyone who has returned their completed questionnaire. Your feedback is invaluable in order for us to improve our service. You still have until 23rd May to give us your views. A response will be issued soon after this date.

Gates



Just a little reminder, when you come to drop off/collect your children can you please make sure the gates are securely shut behind you. Also, please could you refrain from allowing you child to climb the gate on departure as they are **NOT** allowed to do it when they play outside during the day in our care. It is giving them mixed messages as to what is allowed and what is not. Thank you.



Holidays

If you have any holidays booked or your child will not be attending nursery for any reason, please could you let us know as soon as possible in order for us to assess and plan staffing levels.



Building/Leasehold

Following the disappointment of the refusal of the new building there is some good news with regard to the long term use of the building. I have been in communication with the Landlords who have assured me that they are happy to extend the lease of the building for use by 'The Jays' when the original lease expires.



Medicines

In order to meet with OFSTED requirements, we can only accept and administer medicines that are prescribed to your child. In an emergency, Calpol can be given but **ONLY** if permission has been given on the Registration form/Data sheet update.



Mervyn still holds the lovely 'Musik Garten' session on a Wednesday morning, providing the 3 and 4 year olds with a half hour session of action songs, movement and playing of musical instruments. £1 is added to your invoice for 3 and 4 year olds attending Nursery on this day.



The Jays 13th Birthday Party

The Jays 13th Birthday Tea Party- Friday 18th July

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We will be celebrating our 12th Birthday Tea Party and our theme is 'The Ugly Bug Ball'. The children that will be leaving to start school in September will be performing at the party. The Tea Party will start at 5pm. It is a great opportunity to meet and greet your children's friends and family and have a look around the Nursery. It is also an opportunity to talk informally to the staff that care for your children. As usual we would like you to help in providing us with a delicious Summer Banquet. You will be provided with a paper plate that can be filled with lovely food. This is a very popular and social event so please come and soak up the atmosphere.

Kirsty Lavers will also be here representing Usborne Books. We will get 10% of all books sold in order to purchase new books for the Nursery.

FEEES

As of September 2008 the fees will be increasing as follows:

3 - 24 months

Weekly £165

Daily £35

Session £22.50

25 - 36 months

Weekly £160

Daily £34

Session £21.50

3 & 4 years

Weekly £150

Daily £32

Session £20.50

An extra hour including lunch will be £5
Without lunch £4

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS A PENALTY PAYMENT OF £15 PER 15 MINUTES FOR LATE PICK UP

Date for your Diary

May 26 th	Bank Holiday
June 30 th	Zoo Trip
July 18 th	Jays Tea Party
August 25 th	Bank Holiday

Please note: we are closed for all Bank Holidays.

We hope you have a sunny and happy summer and that you enjoy your much needed holidays.

Regards
Jacqui