



Pippins Baby room Den

Summer Newsletter 2015 Latest news and events

Dear Parents / Carers,

Summer is finally here and we are already halfway through the year. We have had a busy year so far with Forest school, Easter, Sports day, Swimming and a lot of other activities. The children are achieving new skills every day and continue to make us proud. We are sad to say goodbye to the children that are leaving us to go to school and we wish them all the best.

Amy (Manager)

Leavers Party

We took advantage of the weather and had our leaver's party on Tuesday 30th June in the park. The children join in with games, played pass the



parcel and had a great run around. They also really enjoyed the party picnic and we thank all our parents for bringing your child along and contributing to the party food. All of your children will be missed by all of us.

Upcoming events and dates for your diary

Parents evenings

Pippins w/c 28th September 2015, Little Fish - 6th October 2015, Tooting Owls - 6th October 2015 Playful Mice – 7th October 2015

Autumn fete - 17th October 2015

Individual Photographs – 21st October 2015

Christmas Nativity – 8th December 2015

Pantomime (Derngate) – 15th December 2015

Father Christmas and party day – 17th December 2015

Upcoming Festivals and Fundraisers Festivals

Eid al Fitr – 17th July 2015

Harvest Festival - September 2015

Halloween - 31st October 2015

Eid al Adha - 17th October 2015

Remembrance Day – 8th November 2015

Diwali - 11th November 2015

St Andrews Day - 30th November 2015

Christmas - 25th December 2015

Big Toddle

Thank you for all in little fish that took part in the big toddle this year. The children really enjoyed being out in the fresh air, walking around the park. Thank you to everyone that has

returned their sponsorship money and if anyone has any sponsor money to return then please bring it in to nursery as soon as possible. The Money has been donated to Barnados

Thank you. Charlotte

Story week

The staff in the Pippins room would like to say thank you to all the children and parents who brought in a book from home to share during their story week. The children showed high levels of fas-

showed high levels of fascination and concentration, some even began to join in. Story week was a success and we plan to do it again soon. Books:-

Zog Money Puzzle Picnic time for Teddy Bears



Emergency Contact

Please can you ensure that your telephone numbers remain updated with the nursery in case an emergency arises with your child and we need to contact you.

Keep Fit



Wimbledon On Monday 6th July 2015 we will be having a Wimbledon themed day

within the nursery. If your child attends nursery on a Monday and would like to come into nursery wearing sports clothing they are more than welcome. If they would like to bring in any appropriate bats and balls from home they need to be clearly labelled with your child's name. As it is a Wimbledon tradition we are planning to have strawberries and ice cream in the afternoon. If you do not wish your child to have strawberries and ice cream please inform a member of staff. - Kind regards Amy



French

The children have been learning about pets and other domestic animals in French this term. They have re-visited colours, learnt new number songs as well as learning the French names for items of clothing.

Employee of the Month

Just to keep you informed we have started doing an em-

month reward system for staff.

During Mini Strikers, the chil-

balancing on a 'tricky pebble

bridge', avoiding Mr Andy the

dren have been widely increas-

ing their 'gross motor skills' from

shark, to shooting some basket-

ball hoops and finally, getting in

some target practice with a gi-

ant 'pizza' dart board and Vel-

hit with the children.

cro balls. Every new activity is a

Management will decide each month a member of staff who has shone with everything that they do. If you have any feedback on staff we would gladly like to hear it. The employee of the month for June is Shibly

Sports Day

On Monday 22nd June we had our nursery Sports Day with the children from Tooting Owls and Playful Mice. The weather stayed dry and the children had fantastic support from all the families and friends that came along . The children all did really well and were very well behaved, which made us all proud of them. Thank you again to everyone that supported our Sports Day and well done again to all of the children.



Everdon

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It's sad to see yet another end to an amazing experience for the children at Forest school. The children thoroughly enjoyed their time at Everdon and learned so much from the 'Forest school leader' listening to instructions and following safety rules around the fire circle, about various plants, seeds, insects and animals etc. The children made dens for woodland animals and magic potions to make the sun shine. They played games such as "one, two, three,

where are you?" where they had to use their listening skills to find their peers and teachers. The children were lucky to see birds nesting in the barns and baby lambs in the fields. The children looked forward to cooking marshmallows on the fire as they role played making fires by rubbing two sticks together.

If you would like your child to participate in Forest school in 2016, please keep a look out on the parent notice board. Forest school is open to preschool children only.

Thank you

Phonics

In April we held a 'Phonics' session within the Nursery for parents. We provided an overview about Phonics to give parents information about this subject . We demonstrated some of the phonic songs and gave some ideas about activities to support the learning and development of phonics. Thank you to all the parents who gave up their Saturday morning to join us. We hope you found the session useful.

Parental involvement

Partnerships are vital for the development of children. If your child has achieved something at home or outside nursery, please write it down and share it with the nursery. We will add it to the children's portfolios and support the children in their achievements. Thank you.

Autumn Fete 2015

We have booked our next fundraiser for Saturday 17th October at Abington church rooms, Park Avenue North, Northampton, NN3 2HT between 10am- 2pm. The charity we will be supporting this year is Stroke

Please could you ask your businesses if they could donate raffle prizes and tombola prizes for the event. This would be much appreciated.

If you would like to have your own stall, or know anyone who would be interested, please contact Julie on 01604 624641, or ask to speak to Julie when you collect your child from nursery.

Thank you



Zoe teaching Phonics to parents



Your child's personal belongings from home

Please refrain from bringing toys, extra bags/ luggage to the nursery. If they get broken or lost, the nursery will accept no responsibility.



Labels, labels labels!!

From our records, there have been a number of reports of lost clothing etc. Please make sure your child's clothes are labelled to avoid them being taken home by the wrong child. Thank you.



Holidays/Absences

If your child is going on holiday or not going to attend their session, please could you inform the nursery at your earliest convenience so we can update our registers each week and inform the nursery chef. Thank you.

Swimming

This term during swimming the children have gained confidence and worked hard to achieve the following duckling awards.

Duckling 1	Duckling 2	Duckling 3	Duckling 4
Emily	Reece	Isabella M	Lilian
Harry	Sienna	Isabella H	Sienna
Ronnie	Daniel	Lilian	Yazmin
		Sienna	Ava
		Yazmin	
		Antonia	

A big well done to all of the children on achieving these awards. This last day of swimming for this term is 16th July 2015. Swimming will restart in September. If you would like your child to participate in swimming in September on Thursday mornings please inform Emma L. Places are limited so it is a first come first served basis. (Pre-school children only)

Rhyme Time

Rhyme time has ended now for the summer and will restart in September. The children have been learning a lot of new songs and rhymes and have really been enjoying themselves. Each week have different themes to engage in the interests of all the children. If you are interested in finding out more or are possible interested in your child joining in, in the future please speak to Amy or Zoe.

Toddler's Rules

I thought I would share a poem with you about children's behaviour and what their thoughts are when it comes to sharing.

If I want it, it's mine.
If it's in my hand, it's mine.
If I can take it away from you, it's mine.
If I had it a little while ago, it's mine.

If it's mine, it must never appear to be yours in any way.

If we are building something together, all the pieces are mine.

If it just looks like mine, it's mine.
If I think it's mine, it's mine.
If I give it to you and change my mind later, it's mine.
Once it's mine it will never belong to anyone else, no matter what.

Unknown author

Race for

Life

This year some of the staff completed the race for life for the second year running. This year we are pleased to say we have raised £438 towards cancer research. This means over the last 2 years in total we have raised around £3000 towards cancer research. Thank you to everyone that has supported us to do this to raise the money for this worthy cause.

Footwear

Please can all parents ensure your child wears appropriate footwear for nursery. We cannot allow open-toed sandals, flip-flops or crocs for the safety of the children during their time at nursery.

Involvement tin he community



Children visit Burlington House
Care Home (July 2015)