



Little Pips Nursery Cheltenham Summer

Newsletter July 2016

It has been a very busy couple of months with a visit from the fire brigade and a chance to sit in the fire engine which everyone enjoyed! Den day was great fun and the children have enjoyed making dens since. The children have spent lots of time in the outdoor learning environment playing with our new construction area and ever popular mud area and sand pit. The children have been learning about animals under the sea and thoroughly enjoyed roleplaying in the inside boat. There have been lots of adventures!

Thank you!

Thank you so much to everyone who gave us feedback in our latest nursery survey. We were overwhelmed with your positive comments and are thrilled that 100% of your children enjoy coming to our nursery. Results are being sent out this week.

Lovely to see you!

It was lovely to see so many of you at our recent parents evening despite the dreadful torrential rain! It was wonderful to be able to share your children's incredible development with you. For any parents who were unable to come, you should have received a summative sheet to sign and keep a copy of. Please feel free to pop in at any time

Limited Spaces

There are a few limited nursery spaces left for the summer holiday. Please see Natalie, Linda or Claire if you wish to book a place



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Other important things!



Graduation:

It is hard to believe that our oldest Pips will soon be leaving us for the next exciting part of their journey..... BIG school! Like very proud parents we are all very excited for them and feel extremely confident that all of our graduates are ready for this next move. To celebrate their success we will be holding our **graduation ceremony on Tuesday 19th of July**. The ceremony will consist of a short performance by the children and will be followed by the presentation of a certificate, graduation hat and small gift for each child. **Doors will open at 1:50pm and the performance will start at 2:00pm**. An invitation has already been sent to all parents of our graduate children. We are looking forward to seeing you there. There will be plenty of tissues on standby!



Questionnaire results: A very big thank you to everyone who took part in our recent nursery survey. We were really thrilled with the positive comments and results and have shared these with our ladies who work so hard to keep our nursery working so well. A copy of the results are being sent out this week. Thank you also for your suggestions which help us to shape and develop the future direction of our nursery.

Photographs:



Thank you for your photograph orders. We are expecting the new set of photographs by the end of next week and will give them out as soon as they arrive.

Phonics Evening:



We are very pleased to announce that we will be running our 'Phonics Evening' again this autumn. Language and Communication and the teaching of 'Phonics' is a very important part of our children's development. Our 'Phonics Evening' enables us to explain what 'phonics' is all about, what we do at nursery and what you as parents can do to help your children at home with this important skill. It is a fun evening and a great chance to meet the staff and get a taste of some of the activities that your child experiences at Little Pips. The date of the evening will be **Thursday November the 10th 2016 from 7-8pm**. Although the evening will predominantly focus on preschool children, parents across the nursery are very welcome to come along. A letter will be sent out nearer the date with further details. We hope to see you there!

Staff



We are very pleased to welcome Kirsty Breese to our preschool team. Kirsty is our new room leader and has already made a fantastic start, leading the room forward with her team and the children. We are also very proud to announce that Sophie Self, room leader for our babies and toddlers has successfully completed her foundation degree in Early Childhood Studies. Sophie will be continuing on her course for a further year to gain a BA Honors degree in the same area. Staff development is a fundamental part of the progress of our nursery and we pleased to see that Sophie's knowledge from the course is already having a positive impact in our nursery.

Please note: For our term time only parents, **Term 6 ends on Friday 22nd July 2016. Term 1 starts on Thursday 1st September 2016. The nursery is closed for the August bank holiday on Monday 29th August 2016.** Thank you.

We have a fantastic summer planned with lots of exciting adventures including park visits and nature walks. Please feel free to come in and see our developing learning environment. Thank you as always for your ongoing support. Have a wonderful summer!

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