



# Chippenham Little Pips Nursery



## Spring 2 Newsletter

### SAVE THE DATE!

There are two important dates coming up soon:

#### Parents Evening:

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
2017 from 6-8pm.

#### Term dates:

Term 3 finishes on  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

Term 4 starts on  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of April  
2017.

Spring is nearly here and we are looking forward to spending time in our lovely garden over the next few weeks!

We have some very exciting activities and events planned for the next few weeks leading up to Easter including planting some seeds for our vegetable growing area, lots of activities focussing on growing and new life and more baking, craft activities and role play (Space suits at the ready!). We are also thrilled to announce that this year we will be rearing and looking after some little ducklings!

We have some important and exciting bits of information to share with you in this newsletter but please also check our website for dates, news and details of upcoming events.

[www.littlepipsnursery.co.uk](http://www.littlepipsnursery.co.uk)

#### Parents' Evening:



We are holding a parents evening on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 6-8pm. We will be offering 10 minute appointments for you to meet your child's key worker and share your in child's wonderful development! It is also a lovely opportunity to meet the ladies in a relaxed environment. We look forward to seeing you there. Please see the sign-up sheet by each door for appointment times.

#### Ducklings!



We are very excited about the imminent arrival of our ducklings! On Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 10 big duck eggs will be delivered to Little Pips along with a host of incubating equipment. Over the following three weeks our children will have the incredible experience of watching the ducklings hatch from the eggs and then develop from fluffy little bundles into beautiful ducklings. They will learn how to care for the ducklings including feeding them, holding them gently and teaching them to paddle and swim in shallow water baths! Please do pop in and meet our visitors. We will let you know when they arrive!

### World Book Day



Next Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March is World Book Day and we are celebrating with a 'Dress up as your Favourite Book Character' day! We would love the children to come in dressed up and also to bring along a book which they might like to share. We would also welcome any parents who would like to come along and share a story with some of our children. This is a fun day and we are looking forward to lots of exciting book activities!

### Red Nose Day



Red Nose day is Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> of March and we have lots of great fun activities planned for the children. There will be more details closer to the time but we would like to thank you in advance for your support for this worthwhile charity.

### Pancake Day



Our children will be tasting pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. Our wonderful cook Lisa will be helping the children to mix the ingredients together and will show them how to toss a pancake too! Yum.

### Staff



We are delighted to say that Lisa, our cook, has settled in really well and our children are thoroughly enjoying her wonderful cooking skills. Unfortunately we have had to say goodbye to two members of staff in the baby and toddler room. Sam, who was one of our level 3 assistants had to leave quite suddenly due to personal circumstances at home. Emilie, who was our baby and toddler room leader has also encountered some difficulties in her personal life and has decided to take a break from her career. We understand that this may cause some parents in our baby and toddler room to feel unsettled but would like to assure you that we work extremely hard to maintain consistency across the nursery. Both of these departures have been beyond our control but we have already taken steps to ensure our quality of care for the children is not compromised. Sarah, our deputy manager has been working with support from Jenni as the temporary room leader. This has enabled us to ensure our ladies are supported in their daily roles. We are very pleased to announce that our new baby and toddler room leader, Cassie Gale, will be starting with us next Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March. Cassie is currently working as the leader of a baby unit at a different nursery and has a good range of experience with babies and toddlers. We are very much looking forward to Cassie starting with us and she is looking forward to meeting many of you at our upcoming parents evening.

We would like to thank all of our wonderful staff for their incredible support and hard work over the last few weeks. What an amazing team!

Please remember to pop in and see Jenni, Claire or Sarah if you have any questions or thoughts. We are always happy to see you.



**Thank you as always for your ongoing support. We look forward to seeing you at our parents evening.**

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