

Bright Kids Gazette



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OFSTED



We are all so proud & delighted to have received a 'GOOD' outcome with 7 OUTSTANDING areas. All our hard work and commitment has officially been recognised & we thank you all for your contribution and on going support. We will not stand still and it will always be our aim to further improve standards. Watch this space as we work together to one day achieve 'OUTSTANDING' in all areas.

WANT TO BE MORE INVOLVED?

Here at Bright kids we want to encourage you to get involved with your child's learning & development. We invite you to contribute to their Learning Journals & have introduced 2 new systems to help with this. Each room have introduced a Weekend/Holiday bag. This includes a diary, a soft toy & other accessories that you and your child can take home. Copies of your weekend together will be placed in your child's Learning Journal & shared with their group. Please ask a staff member should you wish to take the bag home.

'Stories from Home Sheets' are available in your child's room for you to complete & hand in to your child's key person. These enable you to let us know of any special events, achievements and interests that are current in your child's life. The information received will help staff to plan effectively & support the needs of each child

thus helping them to learn, develop & achieve effectively.

CHANGES TO THE EYFS

In September 2012 the EYFS undergoes an overhaul and will be re-launched in settings across the UK. Further information will be provided as we receive it. In the mean time should you wish to carry out your own research simply check out the following website:

<http://www.education.gov.uk/tickellreview>

SIGNING IN & OUT



May we thank you for your patience whilst we establish our new arrival & departure routine following recommendations by our Local Authority Team. This system supports 'Best Practice' & is a more thorough system that indicates who is on site at all times. We understand that this has added extra time on to the drop off & collection of your children, should this be a concern to you please speak to either Joe or Katie.

PARENT'S EVENING



Wednesday 22nd February is an important date for your diary. From 6:30-8:30 the staff will be available for you to come & discuss your child's progress & achievements. Please see your child's key person for an appointment. Children are invited to attend this lovely social event. Come & enjoy some cheese & wine & meet other parents.

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2012 DIARY DATES

- Chinese New Year Begins** - Monday 23rd January
- Half Term (Holiday Club)** - 13th-17th February
- Valentines Day** - Tuesday 14th February
- Shrove Tuesday** - 21st February
- Parent's Evening** - Wednesday 22nd February
- St David's Day** - Thursday 1st March
- Holi Hindu Spring Festival** - Thursday 8th March
- St Patrick's Day** - Saturday 17th March
- Mother's Day** - Sunday 18th March



STAFF NEWS BULLETIN



A new manager has been appointed & her start date will be confirmed at a later date. Her name is Michelle & she looks forward to joining the team.

Congratulations to Emma B on her engagement. We look forward to celebrating her Wedding Day in October 2012

Belated Birthday wishes to Josie who became 21 on 29th December 2011

We will be sad to see Emma W leave us on 10th February 2012 but we wish her all the best as she starts her new career working with the elderly.

The whole team attended an in-house training on the EYFS on the evening of 26th January 2012 with Sharon Kindred our Advisory Teacher.



Nursery News



DECORATING



The nursery is currently receiving some interior decoration. We will try to keep disruption to a minimum whilst it takes place. Wood work & walls are receiving a fresh lick of paint & some carpet & lino areas are being replaced. We are looking forward to this work as it will really compliment our beautiful environment.

Quotes are currently being obtained to carry out a refurbishment of our downstairs children's toilet area. Privacy for the children will be at the forefront when planning the design.

PARKING



As the nursery is getting busier we realise that that it can sometimes be difficult to park. We are exploring solutions to address this issue. In the meantime we must ask that you park safely, giving consideration to all car park users. Staff are trying to double park where possible & the skip has been removed. We have approached local businesses to explore the possibility of parking company/staff vehicles but to no avail. If you have any suggestions to help overcome this matter please see Joe or Katie, thank you.

CLOTHING



To help prevent children's clothing from getting mixed up may we kindly ask that you label clothing where possible.

To allow your child to enjoy their outdoor experiences please provide suitable clothing. The children access the outdoors in all weather to benefit from the many learning opportunities that the seasons bring. Did you know Bright kids can help with your child's clothing requirements? Please complete a Products & Services Form available from the office.

Want your child to have constant access to our outdoor areas – even when wet?? Then these are for you....

Buggz™ Rain Ponchos

One size fits all – 3-6 yrs

Sheep ~ Bee ~ Frog ~ Dinosaur ~ Blue Dolphin ~ Ladybug ~ Pirate ~ Fire Chief



Waterproof Trousers
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OTHER NOTICES.... BRIGHT KIDS HIT THEIR TEENS!

We all enjoyed a traditional Birthday Party on Wednesday 18th January.
Happy 13th Birthday Bright Kids!



BIRTHDAY BOARD

Happy Birthday to the following children:

Lois, Isaac & Thomas will celebrate their 1st Birthday during February & March
Alex N turned 2yrs old this month & Alex L will become 2yrs old in March
Jack & Ethan L both turned 3yrs old this month & Ethan M will celebrate his 3rd birthday in March
Millika, Adam, Sophia & Ruby all celebrate their 4th Birthday during February & March



Goodbye



GOODBYE & GOOD LUCK

We would like to wish Olivia, Connor & their parents all the best as they begin their new life in Australia in February.

Annie & her family are also moving house & will leave us in February, we wish them happiness in their new home. You will all be missed dearly x

Find our Newsletters & other information on our web site:
www.bright-kids.co.uk

Thank You