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WELCOME

Laura and Sally would like to welcome all our new children to the club, and wish them a fun and exciting time with us.



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

We ran successful modules in Road Safety, Cooking and Tae Kwon Do last term and many children have now achieved Bronze Medals. Some children are about to receive Silver Medals as well.



We are currently planning our next modules they will include fencing for the younger age group (Kids College only: Thursdays 3.30-4.30) and an art and craft module for all ages (Children's University & Kids College: Tuesdays 4.00-5.15pm) for the 7 weeks after half-term. As always if you attend Bright Kids After School Club there is no extra charge for these modules should you be allocated a place.

If your child wishes to join any future modules please contact Laura on 07958 658932 or Tricia on 01527 855409. We hope to be running Tae Kwon Do and other modules next term, funding allowing.

HOLIDAY CLUBS

Half term is fast approaching us once again and we have lots of activities planned for our Holiday Club at our Studley site, Please come and join in the fun. Activities are many and varied and full details of our themes and activities can be viewed on our Booking Forms which can either be downloaded directly from our website www.bright-kids.co.uk under the Parents Forms section or collected directly from Laura or Sally.

Alternatively you can telephone Laura on 07958 658932 or Chelle on 01527 852165 and ask for one to be posted to you. We need a Booking Form completed for every holiday club you wish to attend.

Look Out for Childrens University Modules during the Holidays too.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

Over the next few weeks the children will be doing lots of creative activities, cooking and lots of outdoor play. As the weather warms up could you please send you children with a sun hat and some sun cream.

The children have been recently requested a Nintendo Wii game console. We are currently thinking of fundraising ideas to help buy one, any suggestions are more than welcome.

STAFF NEWS



Laura has very nearly completed her NVQ IV in Management. Well done.

Sally will be undertaking her NVQ III in Playwork from September. Good Luck.

We welcome Lynn to the club who will be working on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. Lynn currently works at our Studley site and is happy to be joining us on our busiest days.

We were thrilled to receive a 'Certificate of Achievement' issued by Trica Wellings for 'Embracing Children's University'. Please take time to view it on our notice board.

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BRIGHT KIDS

Bits & Pieces



Brighter by Design

We have developed a comprehensive range of product & services and an order form, which will be circulated shortly. Our products include economical, hardwearing Bright Kids personalised clothing such as sweatshirts (£9.50), jogging pants (£8) and t-shirts (from £4.50) that will prevent school clothing from getting spoiled during messy play times or outdoor games. All funds raised from orders goes directly back into the Club through the toy fund so your support really counts. Simply Stuck labels also give us a small commission on any label orders so just ask for a leaflet for this unique range of labels for everything from bags to clothing.



GOT AN IDEA OR SUGGESTION?

We welcome any ideas or suggestions, so if you have any please share them with us? We have introduced a 'Suggestion Box' as we are always looking at ways to improve our service. You will find it located next to our notice board.

BOOKING RULES

We have a separate sheet for 'Booking Rules' which details how you can get a 'no-charge' cancellation and how we allocate places on a permanent, flexible or occasional basis. If you have not had your copy then please ask for one or take one from our notice board.

CHILDCARE VOUCHERS

As a Registered Provider we are able to accept Childcare Vouchers from all the employer voucher schemes (e.g. Busy Bees, Accor, Care-4, SodoHex etc) to enable you to benefit from the £55 childcare free of tax & NI. Ask your employer for advice and see which scheme they will be using to support you – it saves them money too !!



2008 DIARY DATES

TERM ENDS : Friday 23rd May 2008

TERM STARTS : Monday 2nd June 2008

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ENDS: Same as Term Ends & Holiday Club Open

HOLIDAY CLUB AVAILABLE AT STUDLEY OR CRABBS CROSS SITES

SEEN THE WEBSITE YET? ~ www.bright-kids.co.uk

Daily Details

Information Exchange



HEALTHY START

We work hard to keep our menus as healthy as possible, whilst still appealing to the children. We have introduced our Healthy Options Menu to the children. This provides a variety of foods including fresh fruit, salad & meat wraps, home-made pizza, sandwiches, pasta & sauce, jacket potatoes with fillings to name but a few. The children are always involved in helping prepare their snacks. This is a valuable experience for all children to be involved in, we also provide fresh drinking water throughout the afternoon, and fresh fruit juice is provided with their snack.

You are always welcome to send additional food from home (but not any that needs cooking), if you prefer, although we aim to meet most dietary requirements. Our menus are now displayed on our notice board in the school hall, please feel free to take a look.

WEEKLY PLANNING

Our activity plans are displayed on our notice board and clearly outline what the children will have access to on a daily basis. We consult with the children to ensure that the activities are interesting to them in order for them to want to take part. We have different activities running throughout the week these include, art & craft, team games, sport activities, cooking, group discussions, role-play, board games & lots more. Please encourage your children to share their ideas with us & don't forget yours are welcome too!



HAVE YOUR DETAILS CHANGED?

Please could we remind you that if your contact details or home address has changed then please let us know as soon as possible so as we can update our files.

Many Thanks.

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