

# Bright Kids Crabbs Cross Newsletter

## May 2016



### Nursery News



We are loving the observations on Tapestry from parents - please keep the lovely observations up!

Staff are uploading blogs onto Tapestry, providing parents with information about activities their children will be involved in during the coming week. Please have a look and comment if you like and if you would like any more information on Tapestry please see a member of staff.

We have had a lot of decorating done within the Nursery and lots more to follow.

We had a successful workshop where all the parents and children enjoyed the outdoor environment and creating our new Bug Hotel.

We are looking forward to work starting on our outdoor environment where we will be creating some great areas - if you could help us out with any silver pots and pans etc we would be really grateful.

Katie and Anita will be visiting the first schools of the children leaving this year - they will be taking photos to create lovely informative booklets for these children to take home and share with their families.

If you are interested in the Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs from September please come and see us.

We have created some great Inspire bags for children to take home to share with their families, if you have received one of these bags then please don't forget to put your photos onto your child's Tapestry too.



### Upcoming Events/Dates for your Diary

We have many events coming up over the next few months please look out for posters around the nursery. Events will also be shown on our face book page. Please like our face book page BrightKids Crabbs Cross to keep updated with all the news, for reminders of dress up days and special occasions.



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| <b>Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | Photographer - all nursery children & Graduation Photos for leavers   |
| <b>Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>   | Celebrating Father's Day, all dads, granddads and uncles welcome to join in with some craft activities and a bug hunt round the garden.   |
| <b>Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>  | 2pm group photo of all school leavers- please see staff in Shining Lights for more information.   |
| <b>Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> June</b> | Onesie/Pyjama Day - fundraising for Ovarian Cancer (a member of staff from Head Office is cycling the length of the county to raise money). If you would like to donate please visit <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/cycling-man">https://www.justgiving.com/cycling-man</a> . We will also be raffling off a picnic summer hamper and selling cakes on the day, if you would like to buy a raffle ticket please see a member of staff. |
| <b>Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> July</b> | Parents Evening 6.30-8.30pm come along and have a chat with your key person, enjoy the BBQ and have some fun in the sun with your child.  |
| <b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>    | Leavers Party- 2.30-4.30pm - all children who are going to school in September 2016 are invited. Disco, party food, party games and photo time!   |

## Reminders to Parents



We are now taking bookings for the Summer Holiday Club, please see a member of staff in the Out of School Club to book your child a place. Booking forms will be on the website very soon and can also be completed online.

We understand that some children who are settling into a new room will need to bring in a comfort, can we remind parents that children in Shining Lights should not be bringing in toys on a daily basis, as this can cause upset to the child as other children will usually want to play with them. We don't mind if they are bringing in an item to show to the group, as we can then put it away safely. Thank you for your understanding of this.

Funded places - last day will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July returning on the 5<sup>th</sup> September. If you would like your child to come into nursery anytime through the summer please come and see Anita or Lorraine.

Please can we remind all parents that invoices are to be paid at the beginning of each month, if you are on a weekly payment plan these payments also need to be paid weekly, even through the holidays. If you do get behind in any payments please come and see us before a late charge is added - please check your emails as Accounts do send regular reminders regarding your fees.

Please can we remind all parents to make sure that we are updated with all correct mobile numbers and email addresses.

With the ever changing weather please can you make sure that children are dressed appropriately for the weather that day, so that all children can join in with the outdoor environment.

There will be some new Starter and Room Mover's questionnaires sent out, please can they be completed, these are really important and provide us with valuable information on areas we are doing well in and also areas we need to improve on.

Please can we remind all parents that if your child brings in a lunch box they will also need to have a ice pack included.

We are still finding that parents are parking irresponsibly, please be aware of others drivers and also the length of time your car is parked on the drive, please do not use this as an opportunity to pop over to the school or shop. Thank you for your co-operation.

Please can we remind all parents that they should **not** be opening the door to other parents, and also when leaving the building make sure that the door is closed behind them. We have found on a few occasions when the older children have left they are not closing the door, so please can you make sure the door is closed.

## Staff News

### STAFF TRAINING

All staff have now completed their Customer Service training and are undergoing training updates in other areas, Both Sammi and Sarah are in full flow with their Early Years Foundation Degree course.

### STAFF UPDATE

We would like to welcome our new members of staff who have both settled in really well:

Sarah (Nursery Nurse) has started to work in Shining Lights with Katie, Fay and Shannon.

Kayleigh (Bank Staff) who will be working in the Breakfast Club and also helping out in the nursery.

We would like to wish Nicola all the best as she leaves us to start her Maternity Leave - enjoy the rest and hope to see the beautiful baby boy soon.

We will also be saying goodbye to Rachel R who will also be starting her Maternity Leave on 30<sup>th</sup> June, we wish her all the best and hope to see her new addition soon.

