



Queensway Chapel Nursery January 2014 Newsletter



Welcome back to Nursery after the Christmas break.

Our new Room Leader for the 3-5's room, Tina Contri, started with us on 2nd January. We would like to thank you for your help with our fundraising efforts and hope you will continue to support us.

Dates for your diary

Wed 22nd Jan	Pyjama Drama—'Its a Horse of course'
Fri 14th Feb	Last day of term
Mon 17th - Fri 21st Feb	Holiday club
Mon 24th Feb	Term time children back to nursery
Thurs 27th March	Pyjama Drama—'Chocolate Bunnies'
Fri 4th April	Last day of Spring term
Mon 7th April - Thurs 17th April	Holiday club
Fri 18th & Mon 21st April	Bank Holiday—NURSERY CLOSED

Melksham Town Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported us at the town fayre in November by either donating items or having a go on stall. We managed to raise £135 towards a children's entertainer at the Christmas Party which the children seemed to enjoy. We also raised a fabulous £79 from the Christmas hampers.

Time keeping

Can you please ensure that you pick your child up on time— when your child is late being picked up we have to ask staff to stay behind and you could be charged £10 late fees.

Photographs

We hope you all liked your Children's photographs. By buying your photographs through Nursery, you helped to raise £153 towards resources for your child.

Thank you

Registers

Could you please be sure to remember to sign your child in and out of Nursery each time, and also ensure that you write on the correct line for your child. Thank you

Clothes

If your child gets sent home in nursery clothes, we would appreciate it if you could bring them back as we are now very short on spare clothes



Owls

Do you think your child is ready for potty training? **We are here to help.**

Come in and speak to your child's keyperson & we will work alongside you to encourage them during their time with us.

We are continuing with Makaton & are learning animal signs.

We will be celebrating the Chinese New Year by trying some Chinese food & creating Chinese crafts. Can you please label your child's bags & coats.

Caterpillars



This term the babies will be singing action songs & making a display using a variety of different media to show the songs they are learning. We would appreciate your input with the display.

We will also be going outside a lot so could you please remember weather appropriate clothing and a change of clothes for your child.



Hedgehogs

During January we will be celebrating Chinese New Year. The children will be food tasting & doing painting activities based on the new year colours & pictures of horses, as it is the year of the horse.



We will also be moving our room around.

Throughout February we will be focusing on colours & shapes which will incorporate a variety of activities.

This term's healthy lunchbox idea:-

Falafels

Ingredients:

I can of chick peas (drained & rinsed)	1 clove of garlic (crushed)	1 tbsp fresh parsley (chopped)
1 tbsp fresh mint (chopped)	1 tsp ground cumin	a little grated lemon zest
1 tbsp lemon juice	2 tbsp fresh breadcrumbs	pepper to taste

Method:

1. Put the chickpeas in a food processor and blend until smooth
2. Add the rest of the ingredients and mix well
3. Form into balls using your hands, squeezing the mixture so it sticks together & pop in the fridge for 30 mins
4. Shallow fry a few falafels at a time in olive oil for about 10 mins
(or for a healthier option, bake them for 20 mins at 200 C)
5. Serve in pitta bread with salad and greek yoghurt. (suitable for freezing)

Nursery Policies

The following policies have been reviewed at the last Trustees meeting and are available to be read in reception:-

Settling-in; Exit Interview; Abusive Parents; Health & Safety; Aims & Objectives; Child Protection/Safeguarding Children; Recruitment of Ex-offenders; Secure Storage, handling, Use, Retention & Disposal of Disclosure Information