



# Queensway Chapel Nursery

## April 2019

### Newsletter



## Welcome back to Nursery after the Easter break.

We would like to congratulate Beth on finishing her apprenticeship and becoming Nursery Nurse in the 3-5's room. We have had to say 'Goodbye' to Charlotte and Stuart who have both moved on to pastures new. We would like to welcome Ella who has joined us as Nursery Nurse in our Baby Room.

### Dates for your diary

Mon 29th April	The Singing Tree in 3-5's room
29th April—3rd May	National Gardening Week
Mon 6th May	NURSERY CLOSED—bank holiday
Tues 14th May	The Singing Tree in 3-5's room
Tues 21st May	Concept Photography
Fri 24th May	Last day of term for term-time only Children
Mon 27th May	NURSERY CLOSED - bank holidays
Monday 3rd June	First day of term—Nursery open to Everyone

### IS YOUR CHILD STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER

If you have had confirmation from Wiltshire Council of which school your child will be attending, can you please let us know as soon as possible.



Thank you

### Photographs

We are having Concept photography in again on Tuesday 21st May from 10:30 am til 4:30pm to take pictures of the children.

If your child does not attend on a Tuesday or if you would like a family Photograph, please let us know and we will book you a time to come in.

Please note that Queensway Chapel Nursery is now **NUT FREE, EGG FREE & WHITE BEAN FREE**

We would ask that any lunchbox contents that you send be nut-free, egg-free, and white bean-free. Can you please refrain from including egg, or nut based sandwich fillers (chocolate spread), any other nut containing food items (some chocolate bars and cereal bars), and white beans (baked beans) in your child's lunchbox.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation

Staff Training this term:  
Beth —completed NVQ Level3  
Beth - Letters & Sounds  
Nicole —Speech & Language  
Lisa—Observation, assessment & planning

We would like to congratulate Jenna on becoming our Deputy Childcare Manager. Nicole will be taking over some of the SENCO role.

### .SUN CREAM

Now that the nicer weather is hopefully arriving, can you please ensure that your child is wearing sun cream when they arrive at Nursery.

Could you please also supply a bottle of sun cream so that we can apply more throughout the day (please put your child's name on it).

## Caterpillars

This term the caterpillars will be meeting two new members of staff—Ella & Laura, who will be working alongside Tina.



Our activities will consist of small world play; painting & sticking; foam animals display; books & songs such as 'Dear Zoo', 'baby animals', 'old macdonald' and 'horsey horsey'. We will also be making animal biscuits as part of our new 'animals' theme

## Owls



This term the toddlers are going to explore the outside. We will be looking for bugs and worms in the garden, as well as going on walks to listen & look at birds and animals that we can find in Spring. Please remember that we will be needing our welly boots, sunhats & hopefully sun cream)

## Hedgehogs

This term we are reflecting on our Golden Rules and Nursery boundaries & expectations for behaviour. We will be using our emotions activities to support this and use positive explanations to encourage cause & effects. This will also support all our children with school readiness.



For National Garden Week we will be planting some plug plants in pots to have in our garden area—we will encourage the children to look after them and watch as they develop, we will also talk about what the plants need to grow.

The children really like exploring water, so we will be having lots of water activities to support crucial social skills and to help children release energy & develop motor skills. Water play can be emotionally therapeutic as children benefit from the relaxing & repetitive nature of scooping, pouring & running their hands through water. With this in mind, although we do have aprons for the children to wear during water play, they can still get quite wet so we would appreciate it if you could send your child in with spare clothing just in case. Please look at our display board to see the children during their activities.

We are doing self-registration again and the children's photos will be below the kitchen hatch—please encourage your child to find their face and put it on the board so we can see 'who is here today'.

Please continue to take home our Home Learning Packs & talk to your child's keyperson to share what your child's interests are and if they have had any 'wow' moments at home or special events.

## Healthy Lunchbox tips

### Always add veg



Cherry tomatoes, or sticks of carrot, cucumber, celery and peppers all count towards their 5 A DAY. Adding a small pot of reduced-fat hummus or other dips may help with getting kids to eat vegetables.

### DIY lunches



Wraps and pots of fillings can be more exciting for kids when they get to put them together. Dipping foods are also fun and make a change from a sandwich each day.



## Nursery Policies

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

**Healthy Workplace;** Fire Safety; **Health & Safety;** Sickness & illness; **Promoting positive behaviour;**  
Promoting positive behaviour—biting; **Overall approach to risk assessment**