



# Queensway Chapel Nursery

## January 2019

### Newsletter



**Welcome back to Nursery after the Christmas break.** We have sadly had to say goodbye to Sue Jenkins who has left us after over 20 years of service—we wish her well for the future. The Nursery is currently being headed by Lisa Angel with the Support of Jenna Harrold & Kelly Knight—please feel free to speak to any of these ladies if you need to.

#### Dates for your diary

Mon 11th Feb	Zoolab in 3-5's room
Fri 15th Feb	Last day of term
Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Feb	Holiday club
Mon 25th Feb	Term time children back to nursery
Thurs 7th March	World Book Day
Fri 15th March	Red Nose Day
Fri 5th April	Last day of Spring term
Mon 8th - Thurs 18th April	Holiday Club
Fri 19th & Mon 22nd April	Bank Holiday—NURSERY CLOSED
Tues 23rd April	Term time children back to nursery

#### Staff Training

The following staff have attended training in the last term:-

Jenna Harrold—SENCO & Health Visitor Training

Kelly Knight—Advanced Safeguarding Training

#### Children's absences

Could you please remember that if your child is not going to be at Nursery for any reason, we do need you to let us know (in advance for holidays but on each day for sickness).

You can telephone on 351922, email us at [info@queenswaychapelnursery.co.uk](mailto:info@queenswaychapelnursery.co.uk) or text us on 07749546518.

Thank you



#### Melksham Foodbank

Just a reminder that we do have a box in reception where you can donate items of food to the local Foodbank.

The foodbank is a charity which supplies vital food supplies to local families who are in need.

If you are a family in need yourself, then please feel free to speak to Lisa or Jenna in confidence who will be happy to help you get support.



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT GRAPES

Once again we would like to remind all parents to always cut their child's grapes in half (lengthways). It doesn't matter how old or how good at chewing your child is, grapes are the perfect size to completely block a child's windpipe and once it's lodged there it's almost impossible to get out and blocks their whole airway.

## Owls



This term we will be looking at relationships—talking about families, parents, grandparents etc. We would be grateful if you could bring in some photos of your families (or email them to Nursery). Building on our relationship with your child is our priority, so we will be playing games that enhance social skills.

## Hedgehogs



This term we are focussing on phase one of letters & sounds—we are having listening walks and listening to environmental, animal and household sounds. Some children have shown an interest in birds so we will celebrate National Birds Week, looking at different birds and making bird feeders for children to bring home for the garden.

The Singing Tree lady is now coming on Monday mornings—the children really engage with the singing and join in with musical instruments. This is all supporting their listening skills as well as their imagination.

We will be talking about Burns Night and creating flags.

Chinese New Year is the year of the pig and we will be having activities to learn about this as well as food tasting for snack.

## Caterpillars

We look forward to seeing everyone again as another new exciting year starts.

This term we will be singing along to many nursery rhymes and songs. As we focus on this theme we will help & encourage our children with their communication, language and listening skills. Our activities will consist of song books, musical instruments, role play and messy play.



## Melksham Town Fayre

**Thank you** to everyone who supported us at the town fayre in December by either donating items or having a go on our stall. We managed to raise £132.00, some of which went towards a children's entertainer at the Christmas Party which the children seemed to enjoy. We also raised a fabulous £79 from the Christmas hamper.

## Nursery Policies

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

**Admissions;** Aims & Objectives;  
**Allergies & allergic Reactions;** Complaints; **Fire Risk Assessment;** Food & Drink; **Health & Safety;** Inclusion & Equality; **I C T;** Outdoor Play;  
**Safeguarding;** Safer Recruitment;  
**Settling In;** Sick Child; **Smoking, Drugs & Alcohol;** **S E N;** **Staff Development;** Supervision of Staff;  
**Visitors**

## Registers

**Could you** (and anyone else you send to drop off or pick up) **please 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