



Queensway Chapel Nursery

June 2017

Newsletter



Welcome back to Nursery to another busy term.

We have just appointed a new member of staff to work as Senior Nursery Nurse in the 3-5's room, she is Kelly Beaven and we would like to welcome her to our team. We have said goodbye to Elena Chiriac who has left us to return to London—we wish her well. Aysha has come back from maternity leave for a couple of weeks but has decided not to return on a permanent basis so we will be saying goodbye to her on 16th June.

Hopefully we will have some lovely summer weather ahead of us and so we will remind everyone about the sun hats, with your child's name in, and please make sure your child comes in to Nursery already wearing their sun cream.

We would like to remind everyone that there is a box in reception where anyone can leave donations for Melksham Foodbank. Also if anyone needs the help of the foodbank themselves, please feel free to speak to Sue who can refer you.

Dates for your diary

Tues 6th June	Concept photographers in nursery
Sat 10th June	Community Event at Queensway Family Centre
13th—15th June	Cake Sale
Mon 3rd July	Parents evening 6:00pm til 7:30pm (book your appointment with your child's Keyperson)
10th—14th July	Graduations for leavers going to school
Thurs 20th July	Prom night for leavers — 6pm til 7:30pm
Fri 21st July	Last day of term
Mon 24th July— Thurs 31st August	Holiday club
Mon 28th August	Bank Holiday—Nursery Closed
Fri 1st Sept	Staff training day—NURSERY CLOSED TO EVERYONE
Mon 4th Sept	First day of Autumn Term

Summer Holidays

Don't forget we are open during the summer holidays so if you want to book your child in for some days, please let us know as soon as possible.

Lunchboxes

Could you please ensure that your child's lunchbox is cleaned regularly both inside & outside. We store them in the fridge whilst they are here so they do need to be kept hygienic. Thank you

Head lice

Could you please ensure that you check your child's hair regularly for head lice.

Sainsburys Active Kids

If you still have any Active Kids vouchers, could you please bring them in before 23rd June.
Thank you

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.

SECURITY

Can you please make sure that you do not hold the doors open for other people to come in/out of nursery.

I know this may seem rude but it could lead to children being let out without their parents. Please imagine how you would feel if another parent let your child out of the door on their own.

Thank you.

Caterpillars

This term we will be focussing on celebrations, birthdays, festivals and weddings. A lot of our babies are having June & July birthdays and we would like to make this a fun, happy & positive time as some of them will be moving forward into the toddler room. Activities will include baking cakes, making party hats, making confetti & head pieces and decorating balloons.

We would also ask parents to provide a lunchbox with a name on so lunches are more easily identifiable, plus it will be a requirement when they move up to the toddler room.



Owls

Under the Sea

The toddlers will be discovering lots of the creatures that live in the sea.

We will be finding out what floats and what sinks, making our own boats & sea creatures as well as enjoying lots of water play (please can you bring spare clothes in for your child).



Hedgehogs

Welcome back.

This term, for our older children we are focussing on school readiness, supporting children with independence through undressing/dressing into P E kits. The home corner is set up as a school and we will be supporting children's role play with props. We are sharing lots of stories about schools & talking about uniforms.



We will be following all of the children's interests through our look, listen and note sheet inside, and using the plod outside to support their outside interests.

We will be continuing to focus on letters and sounds activities twice a day with all the children. We will also be making special person/fathers day cards.



This term's healthy recipe idea:-

Mushroom & Chickpea Burgers

Ingredients

1 tbsp olive oil, 250g mushrooms, finely chopped, 2 garlic cloves, crushed, 1 bunch spring onions, sliced, 1 tbsp medium curry powder, zest and juice ½ lemon, 400g can chickpeas, rinsed and drained, 85g fresh wholemeal breadcrumbs

Method

1. Heat 1 tsp oil in a non-stick frying pan and cook the mushroom, garlic and spring onion for 5 mins. Mix in the curry powder, lemon zest and juice and cook for 2 mins or until mixture looks quite dry. Tip out onto a plate to cool slightly.
2. Use a potato masher or fork to mash the chickpeas in a bowl, leaving a few chunky pieces. Add the mushroom mix and the breadcrumbs, then shape into 4 patties. Fry in the remaining oil for 3-4 mins on each side until crisp and browned

Nursery Policies

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

Confidentiality; Data Protection; Equipment & Resources; Financial Reserves;
Infection control; Parents & Carers as partners; Recruitment of ex offenders;
Secure storage & handling of disclosures information; Student placement; Supervision; Whistle blowing