



# Queensway Chapel Nursery

## September 2014

### Newsletter



**Welcome back!** We welcome back all the children and their families who had the summer holidays off. We also welcome all the new children and their families who are joining us for the first time.

We will be saying 'Goodbye' to Tash Farley who will be leaving us this term— Sharon Beal & Caroline Scott will be overseeing the running of the Baby Room until we appoint someone new.

#### Dates for your diary

Mon 1st September	First day of Autumn term
Mon 8th September	Zoolab visiting
Tues 9th September	A talk on 'Taps & Toilets' from a Wessex Water Education Adviser
Thurs 18th September	A visit from 'Dave & Ewe' mobile farm.
Thurs 16th October	Ted's Big Day Out
<b>Fri 17th October</b>	<b>NURSERY CLOSED</b> for staff training
Weds 22nd October	Last day of term for term-time only Children
Mon 3rd November	First day of term—Nursery open to everyone
Mon 3rd November	Concept Photographers will be in from 11:00am til 4:45pm (Please book a slot with Karen if your child is not usually in on a Monday or if you would like a family photograph)

#### Ted's Big Day Out

On Thursday 16th October we will be asking the staff & children to dress up in something silly for a donation of £1 to help raise funds towards building the new Cancer Centre at the Royal United Hospital.

#### Dave & Ewe Mobile Farm

##### **Thursday 18th September**

Dave & Ewe offer very tame, friendly animals for the children to interact with, whilst remaining within their normal environment. The benefit for the child is a very rewarding experience, with animals that they would not normally be able to come into such close contact with.

The animals will be closely supervised, which minimises the risk to any child. All animal waste will be removed at the end of the visit and the children will be encouraged to thoroughly wash their hands after contact with the animals.

There will be some sheep coming along for the visit, so care should be taken by pregnant women.

If your child attends nursery on a Thursday and you have any concerns about them taking part in this activity, please speak to Sue.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING COLLECTION OF YOUR CHILD**

If a child is not being collected by any of their named contacts - we will require advance notice of who is to be collecting them and that person **MUST** have the password and **MUST** be 16 years or over.

Just having the password will **NOT** be sufficient to allow someone to collect your child  
— **YOU MUST INFORM US IN ADVANCE.**

**Please remember that you are responsible for signing your child in and out on the register.** This helps to ensure that all children are safe within the setting.

### Hedgehogs (3-5 years)

This term the hedgehogs will be looking at minibeasts and animals, as we will be having visits from Zoolab and Dave & Ewe.



We will also be looking at different fruits and vegetables, as September is the month for Harvest. We will be engaging in various activities such as paint printing, food tasting and guessing games.

We will be continuing to do 'Show & Tell' on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays — please note that this should be a time for your child to bring in something that is special to them that they have something to tell us about it.

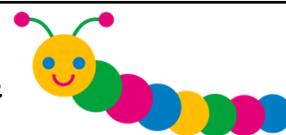


### Owls (2 year olds)

This term we are welcoming some new toddlers into the Owls room. To help everyone settle and get to know each other we will be doing an 'all about me' theme.

We would love some photos of your toddler's family & pets, or of them doing their favourite things. These can be shared with all the toddlers as we talk about people who are special to us.

### Caterpillars (Babies)



This term we will be welcoming new children into the baby room, so we shall be doing a theme of 'all about me' for the first few weeks to allow the babies & staff to get to know each other.

Can you please bring in photos of family/friends and things you have done on holiday so we can talk about this with the babies & see different people/events in their lives.

Thank you

### Christmas is coming....

Over the next few months things will start building up for Christmas. Listed below are a few ideas that may help.

- Books and gifts are often on show in the reception area. These are available to order, the price lists are put up and are always a lot lower than the price printed on the back of the book. Payment is needed with the order and the goods will be waiting for you by the end of the day.
- We will be having a stall at the Town Xmas Fayre again this year and would welcome any donations for our tombola stall—the money we raise from this goes towards the cost of the entertainer for the childrens xmas party.
- Remember the photographer is coming and they make fantastic Christmas gifts.