April 2014 Newsletter

Dear Parents, Welcome to our April 2014 newsletter.

PARENTMAIL - You should have all now received notification to join our parentmail system. We will now use this system to distribute our monthly newsletter to parents.

WHAT WE ARE DOING IN APRIL - All of the rooms will be focussing on Spring and Easter activities, as well as responding to children's individual interests. You will receive a room specific newsletter which will go into more detail about what is happening in your child's room this month and feedback on our responsive planning from last month.

INVOICES - A reminder that as part of our eco schools we will no longer issue monthly invoices except when there is a change to your monthly amount i.e. for extra sessions etc.

PARENTS- If any parents have an interesting job or a talent that you could share with the children please let us know. The children love it when their parents or their friend's parents come in to talk to them about what they do. Please let Kimberley or Lucja know when you are free as we can accommodate most days. Thank you in advance.

STAFF - It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Zoe on 3^{rd} April. After 11 years at Childsplay Zoe is relocating and will be leaving us. We would like to wish her good luck for the future. A happy birthday to Olivia who will be celebrating her 60^{th} birthday on the 26^{th} of this month. This month Alicia and Ian will be updating their child protection training and Kathryn and Laura will be doing a course in first aid in the outdoor environment.

PHOTOS – The photographer will be in the nursery taking group photographs on Tuesday 29th April at 10.00. If your child does not normally attend on this day, please feel free to bring them in for the photograph.

HOLIDAY POSTCARDS - If you are going on holiday soon it would be great if you could send us a postcard. The children love to receive them in the post and this then opens discussion about different countries, cultures and beliefs etc. etc.

FEES - A reminder that fees are due the first week of each month.

SESSION TIMES

Could I respectfully remind parents that our session times are 8am-6pm for a full day, 8am-1pm for a morning and 1pm-6pm for an afternoon. Children should not be in the playrooms before 8am. We have become aware that a few parents are bringing their children in early for their session and some are arriving late for collection. We operate to very strict staff: child ratios and it is important that we do not go over our allotted numbers. If, for any reason, you may need to be early or late, please let us know asap so we can adjust our staffing accordingly. The gate to the buggy shed will be locked at 5.55pm each night, please ensure any items needed are brought out before this time. Children should not be in the building after 6pm.

PARENTS COMMENTS/IDEAS - If you have any comments/ideas/suggestions you wish to pass to us, you will find a suggestion box in the foyer or suggestion sheets outside each room. Alternatively, please feel free to email us via parentmail or direct on childsplaynursery@btconnect.com

That's it for this month, as always our door is open if you would like to discuss anything. Kimberley and all the staff.