



## Newsletter – Summer 2017

### Welcome back!

The year is racing by and soon we will be saying goodbye to all the children leaving for their new schools.

### Catherine's Meet & Greet

Thank you to everyone who came to Catherine's meet and greet we hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did.

### Hellos and Goodbyes!

Sadly, Alice is moving to pastures new. We wish her the very best for the future.

### Staff News

Katy Brown, who has been with us over the last 2 years, has now completed her studying for a level 3 in childcare.

### Snacks for the Summer term



We will be making smoothies to complement a range of fruit and cheese.

Therefore, soft fruits such as strawberries raspberries and bananas would be very welcome. Alternatively, yogurt and honey would be very welcome.

We hope that children will experiment with new tastes and of course enjoy them too.

If you have a smoothie recipe that you would like us to try please let us know.

**Please remember we have a no nut policy.**

### Snack Time

Please supply your child either with snack for the week or each session they are in.

Please do not leave it in your child's bag; It should be placed in the bowl provided.

### Clothing



Children must not wear flip flops or crocs as they are not suitable when playing on our equipment.

Parents should ensure that their child's clothing provides adequate protection from the sun. Arms and ankles being prime areas of concern.

### Sun Safety



Hopefully we will get some good weather and therefore, need to ensure that the children are protected against the sun and heat!

Please ensure your child has a hat each session that has their name in and is in a place that your child can access easily.

Please can you apply sun cream before they attend nursery. If your child is staying all day please supply sun cream labelled and we will apply again in the afternoon.

Our policy is available on the website.

### Drinks Bottles



We are pleased to say that we can now have water bottles back at nursery.

Please only put water in your child's water bottle.

**Please do not send in juice or squash.**

### Half-term Holiday Club 30<sup>th</sup> May - 2<sup>nd</sup> June



Forms for our Half-term Holiday club are now available to download from our website: [www.ellwoodnursery.co.uk](http://www.ellwoodnursery.co.uk)

Have a look and book in to avoid disappointment.



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### Summer Holiday Club 25<sup>th</sup> July - 1<sup>st</sup> September



*This year's Summer Holiday Club is being held at Ellwood Nursery.*

Summer Holiday Club will open at 08.00 Monday to Friday of each week starting Tuesday July 25<sup>th</sup> 2017. It will close at 17.30 each day except Friday when it will close at 15.00.

*Places are extremely limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis - You are advised to book at the earliest opportunity.*

Booking forms will be made available via the website at the beginning of July.

### Reflection Evenings 23<sup>rd</sup> May / 5<sup>th</sup> July

These are times for the nursery, children and families to reflect upon what your child achieved last term.



### Forthcoming Events

#### Photographer's Visit Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017



**Leavers only.** Please arrive no later than 09.00. Meet at the school hall.

Individual photos of the school leavers will also be taken but not families.

#### Father Forest Fun Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> / Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

To celebrate Father's Day come and join us in the forest!



### End of Term Activities

#### Family Walk Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017 13.30-15.00

All children welcome as long as they are accompanied by an adult if they are not booked into nursery. Meet at Nursery.

#### Graduation Day Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Graduation ceremony in the School Hall for children leaving in July 2017 for primary school. Starts 09.30 and will last about an hour.

#### Nursery Sports Day Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017

This will be held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 13.30 am. It would be appreciated if your child could attend nursery in their sports kit. If your child does not attend nursery on that morning, please meet us at the school grassed area.

Parents and friends encouraged to stay and cheer on their child.

#### Teddy Bears' Picnic Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 12.15-13.15



Bring in a picnic. Please note there will be no hot lunches on this day. Bring in a teddy.

Parents welcome to join us.

### WOW vouchers

Please celebrate your child's success with us and fill in a WOW voucher for us to share and display at the nursery.

There are vouchers on the parent's notice board.



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### Nursery "WOW" Hall of Fame

#### **Drew**

*Drew was very brave and went in the swimming pool by herself and helped mummy to stack firewood.*



#### **Corbyn**

*Corbyn has been:*

- practising his exercises,
- helping mummy to make breakfast,
- counting to 49 and then learning that 50 is next,
- catching and throwing and playing piggy in the middle with Alun the dog.

*Corbyn had very good table manners and raised his hands at dinner time when mummy and daddy were talking. He said that he learnt this at nursery.*

*Corbyn was very kind to mummy when she was poorly helping with breakfast and other chores.*



#### **Dexter**

*Dexter no longer wears nappies in the day time.*

*He changed his pyjama bottoms all by himself when needed to.*



*He did well at swimming and did lots of digger scoops with his hands and did big jumps off the platform. All his swimming teachers and his mummy were very proud of him.*

*Dexter helped mummy nanny and Ethan at the garden centre by pushing the trolley and choosing some lovely plants that he planted in tubs when he got home.*

### Term Dates

Summer Term - Starts	11 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2017
Half Term Holiday - Starts	29 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Late Spring Bank Holiday	29 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Summer Term - Ends	24 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
Summer Holiday Club - Starts	25 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
Summer Holiday Club - Ends	1 <sup>st</sup> Sept. 2017
Winter Term - Starts	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017

Parents please do not forget **that Holiday Club operates during the half-term holiday** and covers the period 30th May - 2nd June 2017.

### And finally.....

Parents should let us know no later than Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017 of any changes they wish to make to their child's sessions for year commencing September 2017 - You will need to complete a session change form, which will then be processed and returned to you once the change has been agreed.

**Thank you for your continuing support,**

*Helen*

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