

Newsletter

Mayflower Nursery

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Outside Play



As ever, we have been encouraging outside play this month. Autumn is a great time to

show the children various colours of leaves. We have been collecting leaves acorns and mud to make wall displays! We have enjoyed the fresh air!

Our Dizzy Ducks allotment is looking great and the vegetables are growing well. At the moment we have potatoes, onions and cabbages. The children do a brilliant job looking after the allotment.



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Dear Sian,

We have had a very busy October at Dizzy Ducks. We have been carving pumpkins, collecting twigs to make witches broomsticks, icing spider biscuits, making witches hats, glittering pictures of pumpkins, ghosts, pumpkins all for our Halloween Party. Plus the children have been making flick paintings, ink marble pictures and chalk pictures for our firework display plus made rockets out of tubes and painted them.

November is a time to wrap up warm, enjoy fireworks and look forward to Christmas!

If you would like to discuss any of the articles on this newsletter or anything else, please speak to the Nursery Manager.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Buckley
Dizzy Ducks Day Nursery
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Christmas

Children's attendance and opening hours

Christmas is fast approaching and Christmas Festivities are being planned. Below are our opening times over Christmas and New Year period. We will be sending out a letter for parents to advise us what days their child/ren will be attending nursery over the Christmas period. We ask you to complete and return this form to us. We are open as normal during the Christmas period, but we like to give as many staff as possible paid time off, so it is really helpful to have an indication from parents if they will be using the nursery at this time or not so we can work our staffing.



Thursday 24th December - 7am - 7pm
Friday 25th December - CLOSED

Monday 28th December - CLOSED
Tuesday 29th December - Thursday 31st December - 7am-7pm
Friday 1st January - CLOSED

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Need a day to yourself?

We are now able to offer "as and when" days childcare to parents registered with us. We have recently had some parents who just require an odd day or half day, here and there. Reasons have included the need to attend a hospital appointment, dentist, doctor, to go to a wedding, go shopping or just have a break! Please call the Nursery Manager should you wish to discuss how you could use this facility and if we have the days you need. Think your little one would prefer a day full of fun and games to a day in the buggy at Bluewater...?! Just call and speak to the Nursery Manager.



Events at Nursery

Thursday 5th November - Bonfire Night. All the children will be taking part in activities relating to this.

Tuesday 10th November - Mexican Day in pre school

Thursday 19th November - Parents evening - 7pm -9pm. Please book an appointment with your child's keyperson.

Friday 20th November - Children in Need Appeal. All staff and children will be participating in our rainbow day. We will allocate a colour to each room so the children and staff will attend nursery that day in their chosen colour. We will get all rooms together and take a big photo showing all the colours of the rainbow!

Monday 23rd - 29th November - Road Safety Week - We will be teaching the children road safety, road signs and markings.

More details will follow plus be displayed outside your childs room or please speak to your child's keyperson.



Dizzy Ducks News

Pre School uniform

We are looking into introducing t-shirts and sweatshirts for our pre schoolers. It is standard in other pre schools for the children to wear a uniform. We feel by the children wearing the Dizzy Ducks uniform it prepares them for school plus gives them a sense of belonging at Dizzy Ducks. We are negotiating with various companies to get the best prices. Next month I will have the confirm prices and order forms.



Teddy Bear's Picnic

Teddy Bear's Picnic organisers require a volunteer to help organise the picnic for 2010. This is always a successful fun day with bouncy castles, entertainer and loads more!

For further details please speak to Rebecca, Nursery Manager

Staff News

Congratulations to Ellie Edwards, our room leader in baby 4 on her exciting news on her pregnancy. A brother or sister for her son Keegan.

Carly will be leaving us early next year to take on her new role within Dizzy Ducks.

Carly has been promoted to Deputy Manager at our Harlow Dizzy Ducks Nursery.

Kate will be taking over from Carly as TOTS 1 room leader. Claire and Bianca have also started in TOTS 1.

We have a new trainee Ashley Brooks, who will be floating between all the rooms. We wish them all good luck in their new positions.

NEW TinyTalk Baby Signing in Billericay

Local mum and one of Dizzy Ducks parent, Karen Lawrence, taught her baby, Martha, to sign and so delighted with the results that she decided to become a TinyTalk baby signing teacher. The classes include singing, signing and play, with time for the mums to socialise over coffee and a chocolate biscuit too! Please look at their website

www.tinytalk.co.uk or contact Karen on 01277 653896 or karenl@tinytalk.co.uk

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