

Jack and Jill Day Nursery

Nov-Dec 2010



First of all I would like to say thank you to all the parents who attended their key person appointments. I hope you enjoyed it and found it informative. Please remember that you can speak to your child's key person at anytime throughout the year about their development or just for advice.

Learning Journals

As you are all aware your child's Learning Journal is filled out each day your child attends nursery, therefore it is extremely important that these are returned each time they attend. In the diary sheet there is a section for parent / carer comments, this can be used to pass any messages on or for you to write a comment on how your child has been at home or what you did at the weekend . If you have any ideas to share about your child's development please write a comment in the box.

Celebrations

We have had a great time in nursery celebrating Halloween, bonfire night and Diwali. Our Halloween party went really well, all the children and staff looked great!



Cold Weather



As the weather is now a lot wetter and cooler can you please provide your children with warm coats, hats and gloves clearly marked with their name. Wellies are ideal for playing in the garden, if your child has some then please bring them in.

Vegetable Patch

Over the summer we had lots of fun in our vegetable patch. We managed to produce yummy potatoes which the children helped to plant, grow, cook and of course eat! However the staff are not the best green fingered experts around so if any of you have good hints and tips on what is best to grow in our garden then feel free to advise us or come in and help.

Recycling

The children have lots of fun junk modelling and finding new uses for boxes and containers. I would like to say thank you particularly to Ella's grandma for bringing in lots of things for us to junk model with. We would like to make an outdoor box for the children to explore in the garden, so if you have anything you would like to donate such as pans, spoons, material etc or anything you think would be of interest to the children then please bring it in.

Christmas Party

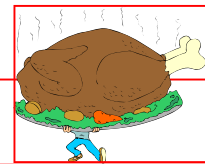
Christmas is approaching and we are already preparing for our Christmas party! It will be held on 15th December. Ethan and Caleb's dad has been kind enough to be our Santa this year and will be at our party handing out presents to the children.

Professor Paulos will also be here putting on a fabulous magic show for the children! If your child does not normally attend on this day you are more than welcome to join us at 2pm to watch Professor Paulos and then meet Santa.



Christmas Dinner

This year we will be having our Christmas Dinner on 22nd December!



Christmas closing times:

Christmas eve - Close at 4.00pm.

27th Dec - Closed

28th Dec - Closed

New Years Eve - Close at 4.00pm.

3rd Jan - Closed

If your child will be off over the festive period then please let us know.

Children in need

A big thank you to everyone who made a donation in our Pudsey bucket and to all the children who made money through sponsors. We had a great day wearing our clothes back to front and having bad hair, it was great to see everyone getting involved. We managed to raise over £100!



Well done everybody!!

Suggestions

Please remember that your ideas and suggestions are always very welcome, there are envelopes provided on the parents notice board in the entrance area if you would like to keep these confidential.

Ofsted

Since our last newsletter we received a visit from Ofsted, we were graded good with outstanding for the aspect of Enjoy and Achieve. Ofsted reports are available to read on the internet or you can read a copy on the parents table in the entrance.

Staff Training

Our staff are committed to continuous training, recently Sarah has attended a first aid and safeguarding children course and also a growing outdoors with the under 5's. Michelle has attended a course on supporting children with Downs Syndrome. Emma has completed a food hygiene and manual handling course.

Family photo's



Please bring in family photographs for us to display on the wall in your child's room. This will help us to promote their personal, social and emotional development by supporting their feelings, experiences and personal adventures. Photographs of family members, friends and pets will provide opportunities for the children and staff to recognise family members and for the children to talk about their experiences at home throughout the day.