

Dear Parents,

Those of you with pre-school aged children you will, by now, either be delighted with your school offer or will be going down the appeal or adjustment route having not been offered your first choice. It is a very emotionally charged time and can feel like so much is riding on it. Don't forget that the children pick up on our emotions and stress is easily transferred to children even when we think we are doing a good job of hiding it. The move to school from nursery can be a very anxious time for the children as well so bear this in mind over the next few months. September is a long way off so my advice is to enjoy the time you have between now and school. Don't wish the time away because they are at school for the next II-I3 years. Don't spend the next few months talking about school but enjoy what is happening now, taste the ice creams in the park, feel the sun on your face, absorb the cuddles and listen to the careless chatter of the children as they play. If I could have bottled that last summer with all of mine it would be my treasure!!

"Enjoy the little things in life...for one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things."

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## Staff Update:

## Sad Goodbye:

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Rosie at the beginning of May as she embarks on a new career. We wish her the best of luck for the future and her new beginnings.

We have had a review of the staffing structure in the light of the recent staff changes and are pleased that Leanne has taken on responsibility for the under 3's rooms. She will therefore be supporting Zoe in Red Group as well as her team in Green. She will oversee the staff development and training and ensure that the impact on the children is kept positive. Hannah will be spending more time in Red group with Zoe and we are advertising for a Level 3 to compliment the team.

Staff changes like this are always a little unsettling for everyone involved, however we are positive that the children will continue to thrive and enjoy nursery. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions or concerns.

## famly<sub>e</sub> <u>New Management Platform!!</u> famly<sub>e</sub>

We are very excited to be working with a new company for our Nursery Management Platform. *Famly* provide an app based system that will enable us to completely modernise the way we manage your bookings, invoices and our communication. Over the next week you will receive an email from *Famly* asking you download a new app for your smart phone and we can then start to develop our secure real-time platform starting with your May invoices! Whilst this is an exciting new system I am aware that there will be some teething problems and that I am on a steep learning curve with this so please bear with us. Your feedback will be very useful so please feel free to chip in and let me know your thoughts.





## Parents Evening - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 6- 7.30pm

Please come along to our parent's evening in May.

We have recently sent out reports for children at nursery and Parents evening is a great opportunity to discuss these reports with nursery staff and to spend time in the nursery. We hope you will enjoy finding out how your children are getting on, looking at their art work, seeing where they will be moving to next and getting to know the staff and other parents.

We look forward to seeing you.

Unfortunately we cannot offer childcare for this event and we ask that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your children so that you can come along to this event.



We are delighted that we are busy as a nursery, however this does mean that places and availability is very limited for the next 10 months!

If you are expecting and would like to book a place for your baby, in the future, we recommend that you do this sooner rather than later to avoid disappointment. On the same note, if you know of anyone looking for nursery places and you are happy to recommend us, please advise them that we are busy and they would need to look well in advance to book a place.

If you would like to change days or need additional days in the future, please contact us so that we can add you to the waiting list.

Finally, please note that there will be occasions when we cannot offer extra sessions as we will be meeting our maximum capacity, however we will endeavour to accommodate your requests where possible.







The sun has been out and the children have been enjoying spending lots of time outside. We will be sending out our Sun Protection Policy soon, however in the meantime please ensure that your children are suitably dressed for the weather and outdoor play and have a sun hat and spare sun cream in their bags.