



Redhill Day Nursery

August and September News



A Fond Farewell

Throughout August and September we have been saying goodbye to our eldest children as they embark on the new adventures at big school. On Saturday 15th of August we held our annual leavers party where all the children got to meet Krazy Kev and his box of tricks. The children and staff really enjoyed the day and the tissues were on hand for the families of those saying goodbye to nursery life.



We also said goodbye to Louise who we have been informed is enjoying her new position but will come back to visit us very soon 😊

Congratulations



We would like to offer a huge congratulations to Emma who will be taking over as our pre-school supervisor. Emma has been with us for a few years now and is definitely the right person for the job. We would like to wish her the best of luck in her new role and we know she will be fantastic.

We would also like to welcome Victoria to the pre-school room. Victoria came to us as a student and after qualifying this summer she began working on our supply staff team. Once a full time position became available this September Victoria was first in line for the post and is doing a great job working with Becky and Emma in our pre-school room.



Finally we would like to announce that Lisa has been promoted to our Tapestry co-ordinator for the under 3's. Lisa has taken to the new software like a duck to water and is the perfect person to support me in ensuring all children's files are up to date.

Two Year Funding

Are you looking to go back to work or study a course at college or university? Are you unsure if you can afford childcare for your two year old? You may be entitled to claim two year old funding for your child to attend Redhill Day Nursery.

In the news recently we have seen that not all eligible parents are taking up this free entitlement. Are you or people you know missing out? Please take 5 minutes and follow the link below to see if you can claim. Please share this information with your friends and help make sure all the children entitled to funding are accessing it.

www.bournemouth.gov.uk/ChildrenEducation/Childcare/EarlyEducationFundingForTwoYearOlds.aspx

Room Updates...



During the last two months Ruby room have been doing lots of fruit and vegetable printing using broccoli, potatoes and apples. We have also been making sensory zippy bags including ones filled with raisins, pasta and rice, hair gel and shaving foam. Ruby room have also used the land and sea animals in sensory play this month. The staff used mushy peas to create the grass and blue hair gel to create the sea. However despite the staff's best efforts this activity didn't go to plan as it would seem even our babies draw the line at mushy pea play 😊. The children did however enjoy the coloured spaghetti play that we provided instead.





The children have also taken part in more body painting and cooking including cheesecake and brownies in the most recent bakes. We have also been enjoying our new artificial grass in the baby garden. This is an improvement plan we have had in the pipeline for quite some time and we are so pleased with how well it has turned out. The older children have also become very intrigued with the hudl tablets we are using, they have enjoyed seeing themselves on the camera and taking lots of selfies. This

child initiated activity is encouraging early ICT skills and helping to promote self-awareness.

We would also like to take this opportunity to formally welcome Arianna, Lily, George, Emily, Buddy and Aneira to our baby room.

Next month the baby room children will be exploring animal related activities such as messy play, books and songs as well as focusing on the autumn display





This month Emerald room have once again taken a great interest in construction and creating models from various materials. The staff came up with the fun and original idea of making edible towers and provided children with cubes of melon and pineapple to create individual towers.

With the autumn comes the rain and so the children armed with wellies and all in one wet weather suits have enjoyed jumping in puddles and even made some puddles bubbly by adding fairy liquid.



The toddler children have also been working on a beautiful autumn display and staff have discussed some of the changes that occur in autumn with our older children. The children have enjoyed making dens and hideouts using boxes, tables and materials.

September has definitely been a big challenge for the toddler room as we have had a large number of new children and for most it is the first time they have been left with anyone other than family. Most children have settled in really well and we are hoping that those finding it more difficult will be completely settled and enjoying the fun ready for our next newsletter.

We would like to take the opportunity to formally welcome Miley, Maya, Anya, Gabrianna, Gabriella, James, Logan, Amelia, Poppy, Tommy, Mayson, and Katie to our toddler room.

Next month the toddler room will be taking part in Halloween fun and beginning to make preparations for festivals such as Diwali.





The Diamond room have had a very busy couple of months. We have had a visit from the local Firemen to talk about fire safety and the children enjoyed acting out scenarios and dressing up as Fire People. Unfortunately the engine itself was too poorly for to come and was awaiting repair. John the Fireman has promised that as soon as it is repaired he will rebook our visit.

We also had a visit from the Creature Teachers where the children learned about snakes, millipedes, ferrets, chinchilla's and barn owls. The children were given the opportunity to touch hold and feed the animals and we were surprised at how brave most of them were.

The children took an interest in the story 'Whatever Next' and did a range of activities based on the story including baking flying saucer cakes, water play with colanders and welly boot painting.



Now that autumn has arrived we have created an autumn themed display which also explores the differences in day and night. The children have taken a particular interest in autumn and we would really like you to get involved.



Pre-school are inviting you to join in with our display and help us create an autumn collage using natural objects. Whether its leaves, conkers, pine cones or acorns we would like it if on your weekend adventures you can keep a look out and bring in

any collage materials you find by **Friday 16th October ☺**

We have also been teaching the children about harvest time and the people less fortunate than ourselves. We would like to encourage you to donate a tin or packet to our harvest festival collection which will be donated to a local foodbank. Any unopened food products would be greatly appreciated .Please



remember any foods donated must have a long shelf life and be able to be stored at room temperature. Fresh fruit and veg, refrigerated or frozen foods can unfortunately not be donated.

Please bring in your donations by **Friday 16th October ☺**

We would also like to take the opportunity to formally welcome Aimee to our preschool this month.

Referral reward

A big thank you to those people who have already recommended parents to the setting, you will all very shortly see the reward appear on your invoices! Don't forget our 'referral reward' is to simply say thank you to those parents who recommend friends and colleagues to Redhill Day Nursery.

The reward will be £100.... yes £100 towards your nursery fees as long as the following criteria is met –

- Your name is mentioned at the time of enquiry/booking
- The new child's booking is a minimum of two sessions per week (on a 51 week a year contract).
- The registration form is completed with your name on it as the referrer!

Then, after the new child has been in attendance at Redhill Day Nursery for 3 full months the £100 reward will be credited to your account (as the referrer!) in the 4th month. It's that simple! Please see terms and conditions for full details and get referring.....

The Nursery is filling up fast and the current availability is from.....

October 2015 in toddler room

January 2016 in Baby Room

September 2016 in Pre-school

If you know anybody who would be interested in a place with us then please encourage them to contact us ASAP to avoid disappointment



If you haven't done it already don't forget to like our Facebook page to receive regular updates and information.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Redhill-Day-Nursery/242037515846120>

Dates for the Diary



Information Evenings

Week commencing 19th October 2015

Instead of holding our usual parents evening this October we are inviting you to learn about Tapestry our online learning journals. We will be holding an information evening on Wednesday 21st October and Thursday 22nd October at 6:20pm. During the session parents and carers will be shown how to access the online journals, how to download and access the app and also how to upload their own observations at home. You will receive your personal invitations and information on how to book your place week commencing 5th October. We really hope that most of you can make it.

Saturday 31st October - Photographer Visit

Our Second visit of the year from concept photography. Please contact Katie or after 5th October to book a slot for your child/children.



Pumpkin Competition

Week Commencing 26th October 2015

This year we will once again be celebrating autumn with a pumpkin carving competition. The competition is open to everyone and pumpkins can be brought into the nursery from Monday 26th October onwards. All entries will be lit on Friday 30th October at 4.30pm for everyone to see. There will of course be prizes for the winners of the babies, toddlers, preschool and staff categories, so get creative and we will look forward to seeing your designs.



Christmas Fayre Saturday 12th December

Once again we are inviting families to join us for our Christmas Fair. More details will follow in our mini festive newsletter.

That's all for now

Katie, Gemma and the Redhill team