



# Redhill Day Nursery

## May 2016 Newsletter



### Staff Changes.....

As all of you may be aware by now unfortunately Victoria Hepworth the Nursery Manager left employment with us in May. I have been given the wonderful opportunity of becoming Nursery Manager and I am very excited and ready for the role. We really appreciate everyone's understanding and kind words of encouragement. I would also like to take this opportunity to say that the office door is always open and I am more than happy to help in any way.



I am also very happy to say that Lisa has been promoted to Supervisor of the Baby room, alongside a new role as Deputy Manager. It seemed a very natural decision to make as Lisa has been at Redhill for almost 6 years, and she has done an amazing job of building on her wealth of experience in the Baby room.

Lesley has also had a very well deserved promotion to become Toddler Room Supervisor. It is a role that she knows and loves. Lesley has worked at Redhill for 5 years now and has been based in the Toddler room for the whole time, also covering maternity leave as Supervisor.

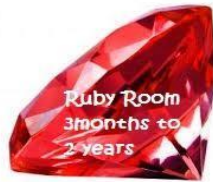


Along with these staff changes we are so pleased to be able to say that Stephanie who has been with us as part of our invaluable bank staff team has joined the Redhill team on a full time basis. She will be based in the Toddler room supporting Lesley and the girls



in there. Chloe is also moving to work in the Baby room on a full time basis to broaden her experiences with different age groups, and support Lisa and Kirsty.

Staff continuity is something we regard with utmost importance, and we are more than confident that the new staff changes will continue to aid Redhill in everything that we want it to be now and moving forward. We are so lucky at Redhill that we have such a strong team of staff, which enables us to be able to promote easily from within the nursery.



## Room updates.....



May has been a month full of messy fun and frolics! The Babies have been delving in with all five of their senses. They have been smelling shaving foam, and feeling the fluffy squelchy textures. Textures were the name of the game, with activities such as gooey sensory bags, and angel delight play with spoons. As we said goodbye to Gemma in the baby room this month Lisa set about creating a handprint masterpiece for Gemma to treasure with some tiny 'helping hands'. As the weather has been so lovely the babies have really been able to benefit from it. They have been exploring sand and water outside, climbing, and sliding down the slide, playing peekaboo in the tunnels and swaying back and forth together on the seesaw. Some of the Babies have also taken a real interest in dressing and changing dollies nappies before putting them to bed under a cosy blanket. These activities link to Physical development, expressive arts and design, and personal, social and emotional development.



Throughout May the Toddlers have been exploring nature, and the ways in which they can use natural resources. They decorated big stones with PVA glue and a variety of leaves. One of their favourite activities has been drawing around one of their friends, and decorating the outline with leaves, twigs and moss. They have also been watching the nesting blue tits closely to see how they are getting on. With the continued lovely weather indoor play has been taken outdoors on a daily basis, with activities like sticking, painting and building and balancing with the soft play. Lots of messy play has also been the aim of the game with activities like coloured spaghetti play, sponge painting, gloop and threading with cheerios and dry spaghetti. These activities link to understanding of the world, physical development and expressive arts and design.





This month preschool had a whale of a time creating their very own 'Diamond Café' in the room with table cloths, menus and flowers on every table! The children enjoyed serving each other and ordering what they wanted to eat from the menu. They took inside play out and created their very own classroom in the playground, with the role play area, mark making and small world activities. They have all loved engaging in role play activities such as water play with the pirate ship, and dressing up time. They have explored textures with the toy diggers in the sand and mud, and exploring ice as it melted, using pipettes to move the water around. They loved developing their hand eye co-ordination and colour matching skills by sorting coloured buttons with funnels. These activities link to expressive arts and design, communication and language and personal social and emotional development.



The week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> June marks the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We will be joining in the celebrations all week with activities such as baking cakes, making union jack flags, wearing red white and blue and making our very own crowns.

Parents evening time slots are now available to book. Please see overleaf for the relevant dates, and each room has their own booking form. Please feel free to book a time slot that is best for you with the staff in your child's room. We look forward to seeing you there!



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## Events for 2016

Month	Event	Date
June	Parents evenings	Babies & Toddlers w/c 13 <sup>th</sup> June Preschool w/c 20 <sup>th</sup> June Preschool leavers w/c 11 <sup>th</sup> July
June	Queens 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations	Week Beginning 6 <sup>th</sup> June
July	Graduation Party for our School leavers	Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July
September	Guide dogs visit	TBC
	Nursery Photographer	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
October	Pumpkin Week	24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> October
	Parents Evenings	TBC
November	Children in need	Details will follow
December	Annual Christmas Fayre	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December

**That's all for now, Maree and the Redhill Day Nursery Team.**