



UNICORN NEWS

Newsletter Summer 2016

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Heading into the summer

Dear parents, carers and friends of our Unicorn Nursery

A very warm welcome to everyone, especially to all those who have joined us recently. We have a busy and exciting time ahead of us, with lots of fascinating and enjoyable things planned. We have our summer trip to Weston-super-Mare to look forward to and, of course, our end of term Graduation Ceremony for all of our children who will be starting school in September.

Let's hope this summer term we have plenty of sunshine, and we can plan a wealth of learning activities outside, with the help of our new dance teacher (see right) and make the most of the long summer days.

UNICORN QUESTIONNAIRE

We always seek our parents'/carers' view and welcome any comments or suggestions you may have to make our nursery better for YOUR child. Your views are vital to us and we will be sending out in the next week a questionnaire. Please be as honest as you can with your comments. All forms are anonymous, and you can simply return them in the box provided.

New Dance Teacher

She will be coming next half term, on Wednesdays. She is a specialist in her field, and will be doing some very exciting lessons with the children. This will encourage their physical development, balance and co-ordination – and be a load of fun as well!

SESSION CHANGES

In September, we are making some changes to our sessions for funded children. The new times will be **8.30 – 11.30** for the morning session and **12.30 – 3.30** for the afternoon session.

This will hopefully make life easier for parents who are taking children to school. Also a reminder, that we are operating the Breakfast Club and AfterSchool Club in September for parents of children who attend Wednesbury Oak Primary School. We cannot, at this stage, offer this service to any of the other Primary Schools in the area, but hopefully we can extend this at a future date, if the uptake demands.

UNICORN HOLIDAY CLUB

We will be running our Holiday Club 8.00 – 5.30. Over-5s will be £20 per day. Please tell friends, as all new children will be warmly welcomed. We have lots of exciting activities planned, with trips as well, so spread the word!

NEWS FROM PRE-SCHOOL

The topic for this term is "School Readiness." The Pre-School team want to thank parents for their support with children's homework and sharing their reading book, as well as making sure they were returned every week.

Polite Reminder: Can parents of funded children please make sure that they arrive to collect their child **ON TIME** as this makes it very difficult for our staffing. Can you also ensure that you pay any fees owed, on time. Late payments fees WILL be applied.

GRADUATION DAY



We're all looking forward to Graduation Day in the Pre-School Room. Details to follow soon

Old Towels Please!

This summer term we are playing lots of messy activities with the children, and we would really appreciate it if you could donate any of your old towels to mop up any of the giant spills...

ALSO NEEDED: Old t-shirts, trousers, vests and socks etc, "in case of accidents"



A warm welcome to Caitlin, who has recently joined the Unicorn team. Caitlin has started an apprenticeship with the nursery, and is based in the toddler (Caterpillar) Room.

DIARY DATES: Half-term (for funded children and term-time attendees) is Mon May 30 to Fri June 3. The Nursery will be CLOSED on Mon May 30 (Bank Holiday). Children to return MONDAY June 6. All funded children break up on Friday July 15th. Children return on Tuesday September 6th.

Going to the Seaside?



We're all going to the super Weston-super-Mare on Wednesday July 6th. We are taking bookings NOW and are sure to sell out, as we always do on these great trips, so book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. as there is limited availability. And why not, as it's just £10 per seat on the coach! Because of staffing numbers, on that day, the Nursery will unfortunately be closed to ALL funded children who do not go on the trip. Please see a member of staff ASAP to get your seats.

REMEMBER US AT SAINSBURYS

Sainsburys Get Active

Keep collecting those valuable Sainsbury's Get Active vouchers (right). If we can get enough, we're looking to get some extra outside sports equipment for the children here at Oldbury.



BUGGY PARK

A polite reminder. Could parents who bring buggies and pushchairs to nursery on a regular basis. Please note that we have a buggy park. It is essential, for reasons of health and safety, that the foyer and entrance area is tidy and that, as a main fire exit, is NOT blocked. We MUST insist that parents fold up their buggy and store it in the marked space which we have allocated in the foyer.