

# Newsletter 17

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## **Welcome Back**

We would like to welcome our returning children and their families back to the Care & Learning Centre.

We would also like to welcome our new children and families to the setting. We look forward to working with you.

There have been a few changes to the daily running and routines over the summer. Please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff if there is anything you are unclear about.

Please remember to sign in and out each time you drop off and collect your child to comply with our Safeguarding procedures.

Thank you.

## **Welcome from Mrs Beresford**

I am so excited to be starting in my new role as Early Years Teacher at the Care and Learning Centre. I have been teaching for 21 years and have worked in the pre-school age range for the last 16 - I absolutely love this age!

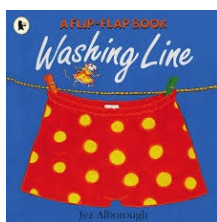
It has been wonderful to meet all the children and parents and the children have done so well taking on board all the new routines that I have put into place. I have just about learnt all of the children's names now, but please bear with me as I learn who belongs to which parents! This takes much longer!!

We have been very busy over the summer holidays developing the classroom area and making it feel more spacious. There is a new maths area where children can explore different mathematical resources each day and Room 3 is now a wonderful role play area where the children can pretend and develop their imaginations. We have now begun work on developing the outside area but there is still lots to do!! The next task will be setting up the new mud kitchen area where the children can explore mixing water and mud - remember not to send your child to pre-school in their best clothes as they will get dirty while they are learning!!

It's going to be a very exciting term ahead!



## **2 Year Old Room News**



Welcome back to our returning children and a big welcome to our new children.

We were busy over the summer getting the room ready for the new term and are very pleased with it.

We have started by looking at the book 'Washing Line' by Jez Alborough which has encouraged lots of conversation about windy weather.



### Outdoor Play

We play outside everyday - whatever the weather. Please send your child with suitable clothing for outdoor play. Our mud kitchens are always popular and children's clothes may get dirty, so we ask that you send your child in clothes they are comfortable in and won't be worried if they get them dirty.

A bag of named spare clothes can be kept on your child's peg.

### Term & Holiday Club Dates

The pre-school closes for half-term at 3.00 pm on Friday 18th October and re-opens on Monday 28th October at 9.00 am.

Our Holiday Club will be operating during the half-term break (Monday 21st to Friday 25th October) from 8.00 am until 6.00 pm daily and sessions are charged by the hour so you can book to suit your needs.



The pre-school closes for Christmas at 3.00 pm on Wednesday 18th December and re-opens at 9.00 am on Monday 6th January 2020.

Our Christmas Holiday Club will be open on 19th, 20th, 23rd & 24th December.



### Monkfield Park 20 Year Celebrations

Monkfield Park is turning 20 and to launch the celebrations is an Autumn fete is taking place on Friday 20th September from 3.30 pm until 6.30 pm on the school field.

This will be followed by a week of celebrations. The pre-school will be joining in by having a 'Teddy Bear' themed day on Thursday 26th September. This will involve teddy bear themed activities, a teddy bear hunt, a teddy bear picnic and a 'Guess the Name of the Teddy' competition with the money raised being donated to a local charity.

If your child does not usually attend on a Thursday morning you are invited to bring them in and stay with them from 10.30 am until 11.30 am to join in the fun.

### Art Folders

If your child is based in our 3 & 4 year old area please check their art folder in the entrance hall for work each day when you collect them from pre-school.

### Wanted!



If you have any unwanted toy cars and trucks our 2 year old room would welcome any donations.

We would also be happy to receive donations of baby food scoops and girls socks.

