



Snapdragons nursery

News

March - April 2010

Dates for your diary

Concept Photography will be in from 09:00 - 13:00 on Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th March. Book your appointments now if you are not in on these days!

The Easter holidays will be running from Friday 2nd April through to Friday 16th April. Please remember that there are bank holidays on Friday 2nd and Monday 5th April so the nursery will be open 09:00 - 15:00 on these days.

Please let us know if your child will not be in on either of these days.

Our Parents Evening will be held on Wednesday 21st April from 18:30 - 20:30 so it will be great to see so many of you - some of whom will be attending their last Parents Evening at Snapdragons before the children head off to school!

Birthdays

March

Mante (1)
Marcie & Marcie-Lou (2)
Sophie-Louise, Eva, Olivia & Eleanor (3)
Thea, Evie-Mae & Jack (4)
Oliver (6)

April

Charlotte & Liam (1)
Polly, Taylan & Gordon (2)
Grace, Joy & Dylan (3)
Jocie, Anay, Darren & Lauren (4)
Corey, Callum & Callum (8)

'festivals' page of our website.

The next festival we are looking at in March is Holi - the festival of colour and Spring!

Of course we also had Shrove Tuesday during February and so the children had some delicious pancakes and ice cream as part of this day's events!

If anyone has an expertise of talent that they would like to share with the staff and the children then please let us know as soon as possible so that we can organise to have you share it with us. The children love to hear from different people all the time so please volunteer!

Chinese New Year has come and gone now and we have all had a fantastic time celebrating this wonderful festival!

The children all got a chance to try some spring rolls at snack times or some sweet and sour chicken for lunch. Karl even served some of his home-made seaweed for the children who wanted to try it! Some of the activities that went on during this week were fantastic and we hope to follow the good start throughout the year as we look at many more interesting festivals. You can see the guide that we will be following on the



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Dear Parents

Wow! The first two months of the decade have just flown by and all of our Pre-Schoolers leaving in September know where they will be going to school now so can start preparing for this move.

We would like to welcome also all of the new faces that have joined us over the past few months in nursery and Out of School Club. We hope you enjoy your time with us!

*** This months comings and goings ***

Some of the children in Pre-School have enjoyed visiting our Broadwood nursery recently. Their adventure starts with Deepak transporting them all VIP-style in the exclusive Snapdragons mini bus and then when they arrive they can start to explore and play with new children in the fantastic new environment!

Broadwood's start has been exceptional and they are building up a good number of children in the rooms so we hope everyone is enjoying their time there.

We have had another successful Holiday Club once again and it was so good to see all the familiar faces returning to us. The children were able to sample Chinese cuisine along

with the rest of the nursery as well as take part in science experiments, talent shows and jewellery making.

We are now looking forward to what the Easter holds for us so look out for the programme of events soon!

We also sent out questionnaires to our After School children recently and had some great responses back! We really appreciate the feedback so thank you to all the children who completed the forms. We are looking forward to introducing many new things based off this input!



Concept Photography are back in this month for their first visit of the year.

They will be in nursery on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th March between 09:00 and 13:00 so if your child is not in on these days or during these times then please see Katie of Carli to book a time to come in.

There have been a few policies that have been updated recently which you are able to find copies of in the Parent Policy Pack by the nursery entrance.

We will be sending out a couple of these with your March bills so please read them to make sure that you understand the changes.

We would like to congratulate Emma on competing her NVQ3 and also to Sarah who finished her NVQ4. Well done!

Sainsburys have just started their Active Kids voucher scheme, offering customers vouchers in exchange for purchases. We can then use these vouchers to trade in for sports and activity equipment.

Everyone did really well collecting vouchers for us last year and we hope to better that again in 2010!

Big Steps



Big Steps also got really involved in the Chinese festivities as they turned their home corner into a Chinese house, removing their shoes every time that they went in. Their 'Book of the Month' was 'The Tiger that Came for Tea' which fitted in very well for the Year of the Tiger in China.

The book came with lots of fun activities from making their own stories to share with each other to creating tea parties.

To find out what the 'Book of the Month' is for March, keep an eye on the Pre-School door where you can find out soon!