



Parents Newsletter

August 2021

Dear Parents

We have had a busy and lovely few months at the nursery with some proper summer weather. The children enjoyed being outside and have been updating various parts of the garden. This has included a new climbing wall and changes to mud kitchens. The children were very involved in planting and gardening projects and had the opportunity to taste test the fruits of their labors as well as smell lots of new herbs.

We were also able to have individual graduation ceremonies for our school leavers, which was a lovely way to celebrate each child while protecting all involved. We wish all of our children who will be starting primary school this month all the best. We know the children will thrive in this next step. Please remember to send us pictures or say a hello from the park to show off new uniforms during their first week of school. Our team and the children love seeing everyone and hearing about school.

Join us in congratulating Hortensia as this month's Staff Member of the Month! Hortensia was nominated by her colleagues for her relationships with the children, organization, positivity and embodying what it means to be a team player. As many of you may be aware, we have a "Staff Member" or "Team of the Month" award each month which we award to staff who are nominated by their colleagues, parents, and management for outstanding practice or contribution. Parents are encouraged to put forward staff for Staff Member of the Month. We would love to have your feedback about staff and if people are going above and beyond their roles. We invite you to speak to the office or your room to provide this feedback or email the office with your comments. Additionally, any positive feedback, even if not for nominations, are shared with the team. We have a board specifically for parent feedback and a separate board for the team to give stars to each other.

We are thrilled by the progress of our staff with their qualifications. Jordan, Zoe and Leonie all completed their HNC qualification earlier this summer and Demi has submitted her last piece of coursework for her Level 4 qualification.

Please keep in mind that families have the opportunity to call the nursery and speak with your child's keyworker. This system has been in place prior to the Covid-19 period and we encourage families to use this system while we are still in the recovery period as interactions between families and staff are different due to government restrictions.

Please keep an eye out on emails for updates in protocols. We are expecting a few changes to occur over the upcoming weeks for protocols specific to education.

Just a few reminders...

- Please also return front door fobs when your child leaves the nursery.

- Please continue to inform the office when you and your child will be away on holiday. This is important so you are not unnecessarily disturbed when we have a child who is absent without explanation.

Parent Committee

The parent committee are currently finalizing the new committee positions for this upcoming year. Once this is complete, all families will be informed of the new chair and secretary.

If you are interested in having another or a different voice at the nursery, please consider joining our **Eco Committee**. Speak with John in Butterflies, your room staff representative or the office.