

Welcome to our October newsletter. Autumn is here with shorter days and lots of colours. Children are settling in nicely in their own rooms and key people are enjoying getting to know their new families. We would like to say thank you to all of our staff members for working so hard in September to settle children in and to all of our new families for being so supportive.

Staff news



We are delighted to inform you that the staff member of the month is Katia. The others said about her: 'She has been amazing supporting children during their settle in sessions. She planned activities for them based on their interest and thanks to her kind and caring nature they are settling in well'

We would also like to welcome Hollie and Evie. They are going to support our Explorer team.

Hollie is joining Explorer 2 and Evie is supporting Explorer 1. Both have worked in childcare settings before and excited to get to know our routine and have their own key children.

Oana is joining Adventures one to support their growing team. She is a qualified Early Years Practitioner and also has a degree in Mathematics. She has years of experience working in various Nursery settings.

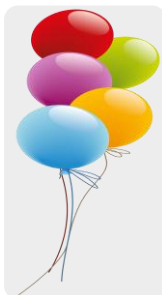
Barbara is going to join us to support Adventures 2. She is a very excited to have her own key children and plan different activities for them.

Unfortunately Amber –Jade and Shahanna have decided to leave due to personal reasons.

Birthdays:

We have lots of birthdays to celebrate across the nursery this month and they are: **Etienne** and **Maximilian** will celebrate their first birthday; **Madeleine** will be turning two; **Marley, Samuel, Isabel, George, Evie** and **Joshua** will celebrate their 3rd birthday; **Noah** and **Riley** will be turning four.

We wish you all a very happy birthday!



New Families:

We would like to wish a warm welcome to all of the new children and their families that have joined us this month. In our Explorers rooms we have **Finlay, Millie, Hanna, Etienne, Penelope** and **Maximilian**. In our Adventurers room we welcome **Elliott, Katie, Serenity,**

Emilia, Teddy, Louis, Fatah, Elijah, Lorenzo Rubi-Mai and **Makeda**.

Term Dates for 2017:

Just a gentle reminder that if your child attends on a **term-time only basis**

Term 1: Friday 1st September 2017 to Friday 20th October 2017

Term 2: Monday 30th October 2017 to Tuesday 19th December 2017

Term 3: Thursday 4th January 2018 to Friday 9th February 2018

Term 4: Monday 19th February 2018 to Friday 23rd March 2018

Term 5: Monday 9th April 2018 to Friday 25th May 2018

Term 6: Monday 4th June 2018 to Tuesday 24th July 2018

If you have any questions relating to your child's attendance, please speak to Helen in reception.

Festivals and special dates for your diary

Autumn open day



Come and join us celebrate the autumn months with seasonal activities and games. All welcome to explore the rooms and activities linked to nature. **Saturday 14th October 10.00-12.00**

Remember to change your clock

Set clocks back one hour before bed on Saturday night 28th October.



Baby massage

We are running a Free Baby Massage Course from 27th October for 5 weeks. Amber and Shannon are both excited to share these sessions with you. For more information please contact the office to talk to Jade or Csilla.



Making Sense of my World

We are delighted to announce a free six week workshop for parents/carers who want to learn more about how you can support the development of your baby's senses. This course will run from 22nd September for 5 weeks.

We look forward to welcoming you and your baby to these unique and informative workshops.



'Dual Provision'

If your child spends time at another setting or with a childminder, we would like your permission to share information to help enable us to support their learning and development. Please speak with your child's key person if your child does or will attend another provision.

'Buddy Bags'

Each term Happy days Cheswick will be launching a variety of home learning bags based around exciting topics. The bags will be full of stimulating resources and activity cards which are simple to undertake at home. Each bag is tailored to fit with various ages and stages of development so ask your key person which would be most appropriate for your child.

Please look out for our new bags in the reception area!

CONCEPT PHOTOGRAPHY

CONTEMPORARY NURSERY PHOTOGRAPHY

20th October between 8am and 11:30

Concept photography will be providing the opportunity to take professional photographs of your child where siblings can join in to. If you would like to have your child's photo taken and they're not in on this day, please speak to reception

Session drop-off and collection

Please can all parents ensure they are dropping off and collecting their child within their arranged session times. This enables parents to be given the appropriate handover and ensure the rooms remain within appropriate ratios. We feel it is really important to share as much information as possible to promote each child's learning and development. If parents are interested in booking an early start or late collection, additional hours can be booked at the office. Jade, Csilla and Helen are always happy to help with this

My 'WOW' Moments!

If your child has done anything exciting during the weekend or holidays, we would like to know so that we can talk about it during our group times. We have "WOW Moments" for you to complete, available in our Nursery entrance. If you wish to include photos with some of these we would love to see them and share with your child's friends, they can then be added to your child's Learning Garden to give a complete overview of your child's learning experiences at Nursery and at home, on days out and holidays.

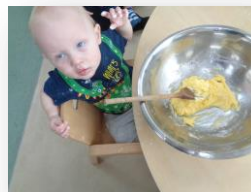
Children's clothing – A Gentle Reminder:

Please remember to provide your child with additional clothing for their day at nursery especially as we continue to implement free-flow play between the indoor and outdoor learning environments. We ask that all children in Explorers have 2 suitable pieces of footwear for indoor and outdoor use. If your child is a confident walker, wellington boots are a good idea to allow them to further explore the garden and the unique learning opportunities the outdoor environment brings. We ask that all clothing and footwear provided for the children both in Explorers and Adventurers is clearly labeled with their name to ensure that it is returned safely to you at the end of the day.

May Home Learning:

Healthy eating

As most of you are aware Angela has cooking sessions



with children once a week. They enjoy talking about different

ingredients and tasting their own cooked scones or cakes. Please come and see our new recipe cards. For more information please talk to Jade or Csilla

Please remember...

Please remember to inform the nursery if your child will not be attending for their booked session. This is to ensure that we can monitor child absences and inform other parents should your child be absent due to any contagious illnesses.

Thank you for your continued support
Jade, Csilla and the Cheswick Village team



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