



Happy Days

Where Children Shine

Thornbury

October 2017

Newsletter

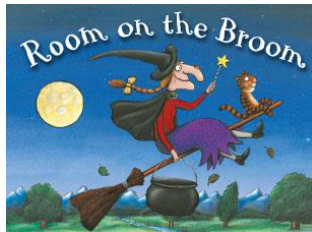
Welcome to our newsletter

Welcome to the October edition of our newsletter.

Upcoming Events

Open Day

After the success of our last open day, we would like to invite all of our families to save the date of our next Family Day on Saturday 28th October 10am-12pm. This will be an opportunity for parents to come along and see some of the activities that are available to the children whilst they attend nursery and also a chance to get to know other parents. This will be Room on the Broom themed and there will be activities based around potions, witches, cats, frogs and dogs. If you know a friend that might be interested in joining Happy Days – please bring them along.



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Concept Photography

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On Thursday 12th October between 8.30am and 11am, Concept will be at the nursery to take photographs of your children. This is a great opportunity to get photos ready for Christmas. If your child attends a Thursday we will get their photo taken for you, **if you do not want their photo to be taken please inform the office.**

If your child doesn't usually attend a Thursday you are welcome to book a slot to come in and have them taken. Siblings are welcome for photos.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

We would like to thank everyone for their baking, eating and donating at our coffee morning. We raised a huge £131.77. Thank You!

Happy Days Thornbury Team

New Staff Team

We are delighted to welcome Lisa to the nursery as Lunchtime assistant. Lisa already cleans the nursery but will also be working during the lunch hours from October.

We would also like to welcome David who has joined our Adventurers team. David is a Qualified Teacher and has a wealth of experience in Early Years.

Employment Opportunities

As we are a growing nursery, we are always on the lookout for staff to join our team – if this is you or you know someone please do get in touch. We have a variety of positions and various hours available.

Employee of the Month



Congratulations to Megan who has been voted as our employee of the month. Megan has joined the team and has brought excitement and enthusiasm with lots of new ideas to the team.

October is the birthday month for:

We would like to wish the following children a very happy birthday this month – Freya will be turning 2! Joshua and Amelia will be turning 4!



Reminder

Please can we kindly ask parents to ensure that children's belongings including clothing are labelled for your child this is to ensure that items are returned to the correct owner and do not get mixed up.



Please could we kindly request that parents bring children into nursery with shoes; as we have free flow it is important that children have shoes to be able to access the outdoor area. Also with the wetter weather arriving please can parents ensure they bring their children in appropriate clothing including coats, wellies and waterproofs.

Dropping off and collecting your child -

We would like to remind parents that at busy times of day it may take a while for a member of staff to get to you for feedback. It is important to us that all children are engaged



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and supervised at all times so we ask that only one member of staff feeds back to parents at any time. Please feel free to enter the room and have a little play with your child whilst you are waiting for feedback. Thank you for your patience.

Did you know?

Facebook



We regularly post photos, events and updates on our Facebook page. Why not follow Happy Days Bristol & Bath to keep up to date with what we are doing. <https://www.facebook.com/Happy.Days.Bristol/> If you would like to see photos of your child on the Facebook page then please see Kirsty or Sam who will ensure that we have the correct permissions from you. In addition we have a "Facebook like" competition where one person per month who has liked our page is chosen to win a £50 amazon voucher so be sure to invite all your family and friends to like us too.

Swapping sessions.

Just a reminder that we are unable to swap your child's sessions. If you require your child to attend on a different day than they normally come in, then please enquire about whether or not we can accommodate this as a paid extra session. We appreciate your co-operation.

Tax Free Childcare.

Hopefully all parents have received information about tax free childcare. This is a new initiative that has been rolled out by the government. Please ensure that you re-confirm your eligibility when due. This is something we cannot do for you. For more information please log onto www.childcarechoices.gov.uk



Adventurers News



We would like to say a big hello to Aaron, Jake, Clarke, Jack and Sylie who have settled well into the Adventurer's room.

In Adventurers, the children had a visit from Baby Ballet session. The children absolutely loved taking part in various activities and we have handouts in reception if anyone would like more

information on classes.

Explorers News

We would like to welcome Henry, Arthur, Freya into the Explorers room. The children have been enjoying planting herbs. We have used our senses by smelling, tasting, touching and looking. We have had lots of fun watching our creations develop over the last few weeks.



Half Term Activity Week

During this half term week we will be exploring natural autumnal materials and having some spooky fun. Keep a look out on the playroom doors for more information. If your child is not here and would like to join us - please speak to the office to book an extra session.

Term Dates

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

WOW Corner

Please let us know of any special achievements your children may have so we can celebrate at Nursery.

This month the following children have:

- Alfie G EXP 1: Is now walking 😊
- Oscar EXP 2: Is exploring the room lots trying to crawl and is sitting up by himself.
- Hudson ADV 1 : Able to name if a dinosaur is a carnivore or herbivore.
- Jack C ADV 2: Can name one more and one less up to 5!



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