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Dear Parents

To start we would like to welcome you all back and wish you all a very happy 2009.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This year nursery will be closing for Christmas on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2009 and will re-open on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

Parents evening will be taking place on the Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009 to give you a chance to speak to your child's key worker on a one to one basis and to discuss your child's progress within nursery as well as discuss any matters for the future.

### STAFF INFORMATION

To remind all parents that Debbie as now taken over as manager and is working Monday to Thursday 9 till 6 every week.

If you need to discuss anything please feel free to pop in at any time as my door is always open. If anything arises and I am not in the building then take any matter up with Claire who will be in charge of the running of the nursery on a Friday or speak to one of the Senior members of staff, Victoria, who job shares with Claire as deputy or Steph and Natalie. They will be happy to help with any matter.

To update you all on Sarah Fillingham who as moved to the new nursery at Moss Bank, she as settled in like a duck to water and is really enjoying the new experiences. She has told me that she is missing everyone and will be down soon to say hello.



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## **STAFF TRAINING- UPDATES**

Debbie is still continuing with her A1 award and is currently assessing students. Steph will also be signing up to her do her A1 award shortly as she is in charge of signing up students.

Victoria is still continuing with her NVQ 4 and Natalie is doing well with her EYFD (early years foundation degree)

## **STUDENTS**

We would like to welcome Louise the student that is based in Pre-school. She has settled in really well and the children have bonded with her very well which is the most important thing.

Can we put in a plea for any old scarves, corks, pots, pans, whisks etc for our heuristic basket. These are a great way for our children to explore and investigate and to develop their language and sensory skills.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nursery will be celebrating Chinese New Year which will be on the 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> January 09. All children will be participating in a range of activities including dragon dance, changing the role play area into a Chinese restaurant, food tasting and doing lots of activities such as making lanterns and dragons in our art area.

Also Valentines day, Shrove Tuesday, St. Patrick's Day and Mothers Day will be coming up so there are lots of activities for your children to get involved in over the next couple of months.

Over the last few months Star of the week as proved very popular with the children in pre-school. Children receive the bear for a range of good behaviour in nursery and is a way of continuing this at home. If you are yet to receive Star of the week then all you need to do is take him home and if possible fill in the book that accompanies him and if you wish, stick a photograph in the book and write a short sentence about what your child and Star bear have been up too.

This as now happening in both 2-3,s and baby room. 2-3's are now sending Lizzie home with children that have worked and behaved well and baby room will be sending Iggle Piggle home. Do not feel obliged to fill in the books or stick in a picture this is just a way to extend their nursery experiences and reward good behaviour.

We would like to say a big congratulation to Daniel and his family on the birth of your baby brother Oliver, to Poppy and her family on the birth of your baby brother Harry. Also to Flynn, Lewis and family on the birth of your baby brother Max Taylor. I am sure you will join me in wishing them well.

Good luck to Harvey and James and your families on the imminent birth of your baby brother or sister and we look forward to seeing you in the future.

## NEW STARTERS

We would like to welcome Ciaran, Elysee, Rhianna, Grace, and Sadie and their families into baby room. We hope you have a wonderful time here at nursery.

## MOVING ROOMS

Over the next couple of weeks children will be moving over to their new rooms. Over the last few months staff have been working close with their colleagues to ensure that children have a smooth and easy transition into their new rooms and has been going really well. Good luck to Megan and Sara who will be moving to 2-3's and to Matthew, Daniel and Ryley who will be joining the children in Pre-school. If any parents have any questions regarding room transition then speak to your child's key worker.

## BIRTHDAY TIME

Emma, Ellie and Ciaran will be celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> birthday  
Dean and Sara will be celebrating their 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday  
Matthew, Daniel and Ryley will be celebrating their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday  
Patrick H, Michael, Caitlin and Harvey will be celebrating their 4<sup>th</sup> birthdays

Also we have a couple of staff birthdays.

Louise the cook and Debbie, but I am not going to reveal our ages....you will have to guess!!!!

If you have recently moved, got a new home, mobile or work number then please inform a member of staff so we can update our files.

**Finally to remind all parents that I will be updating the website in the next couple of weeks. You will "hopefully" find lots of different displays and children's work on there as well as upcoming events and staff information, if I ever remember how to do it.**

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