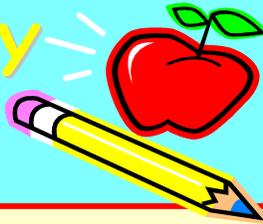


PREPCARE DAY NURSERIES



Birchfield
Prepcare Day
Nursery
Jan/Feb 2017

General Notice

A polite request to parents, carers and accompanying children, please **DO NOT** open the door to others. A member of staff will assist with this.
Many Thanks.

Happy Birthday to...



Andriana, Summer, Benjamin, Clara, Ethan, Thomas, Mia, Vaishnavi, Sebastian, George, Arabella, Theo, Abel, Beatrice, Dylan and Sonam.

Also to: Penny and Pam

Road Closure

Please be aware that Harriot Hayes Lane, Beamish Lane and Little Lane will be closed from Monday 16th January, for approximately three weeks. The road from school to the A41 is unaffected.

News from the Rooms



...to **Miss Cheryl Young**. Cheryl has joined us this month and will predominately be working between the Tweenies and Toddler Rooms. She has worked within Early Years for over 16 years so brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to our team.

Welcome also to all the new children that have joined us in the New Year. They are all settling in well and enjoying their experiences at nursery.

Babies: *Wendy will continue to lead the Baby Room, with the main support of Catherine and Liz.* The babies have had a wonderful time exploring with a wide variety of media, glue, porridge and paint! They enjoyed creating the many varied creative decorations, pictures and cards in preparation for Christmas. As we start the New Year, the baby room staff will continue to provide the babies with a variety of sensory experiences and they have informed me that gloop and jelly are on the way! Great fun.

Tweenies: *Carina will continue to lead the Tweenies, with the main support of Amy, Helen Fiona and Annie.* The Tweenies enjoyed many autumn walks as we approached the final weeks of the year. This enabled them to collect leaves and sticks to use for their creative activities. They have enjoyed playing in the sand tray and manipulating the play dough, exercising those little fingers! The children have been very excited by the recent introduction of an activity cube in their room and they are all making the most of the opportunity to climb, slide and crawl!

Toddlers: *Emily will lead the Toddler group, with the main support of Pam, Cheryl and Lydia.* During circle time, the children have been focussing on recognising colours and counting songs. During their Nature Detective walks they have been looking at changes in the environment as the season alters. The children enjoyed focusing on Christmas activities and creative work during the final month of 2016 and they also thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas party. Great fun was had by all!

Pre-School: *Pre-school will be led by Miss Abi Allen and Miss Laura Fleming, with the assistance of Miss Hannah Cooper.* Pre-School have been focussing on developing their number and letter recognition recently and you can hear them practising the rhymes as you walk around nursery. They have also worked very hard on developing their fine manipulative skills further by practising threading skills and pencil control activities. I am sure that you could see the difference in their writing in their Christmas cards!



To Carina, who has been with us nearly 10 years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her commitment and dedication over the years and to wish her well in her new role. She will leave us on Thursday 2nd February.

We will all miss her. ☹️

With the mornings having a wintery feel to them, I would like to ask parents to provide their children with appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor activities at all times please.

Many thanks for your continued support

Penny Shevyn
Nursery Manager