

Alcester Nursery Studio Ltd

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Newsletter October 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful start to the term, all children returned with ease, it's been a very busy start to the term too with lots of new children, and all their induction sessions have gone / are going well

Staffing

Christina Forrester started as our new lunchtime supervisor, she has settled into the job role with ease. She is such a natural with the children therefore she is to start working with the children too in the mornings, and will be embarking on her NVQ asap

Red Book Bags

We are still awaiting quite a few red book bags to be returned from the children who attended last school year, can you please return so that your child can start to enjoy choosing their own library books. Many thanks in advance.

Welcome back BBQ & AGM

It was lovely to see some of you at this event, thank you so much for attending, and for buying raffle tickets. The winners

of the raffle were:

1st Cinema tickets - Eli James

2nd farm - Alex Beaver

3rd Disney puzzle - Olivia Walters

New Director

Amy James, Eli's mum who runs the Connection magazine has been nominated & accepted to join our team to help run the nursery. Amy will be predominately responsible for any advertising, posters etc. Amy comes with a wealth of experience, and we pleased to welcome her onto our experienced team.

Fundraising Events

Amanda is holding a fundraising meeting in nursery on Monday 10th October at 3.30pm for anyone who wishes to attend please pop in & grab a coffee. Also please don't forget the easiest way to help our fundraising team is to log onto

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ansltd

if you buy online from companies like ToysRus, ELC, amazon, Dixons, Boden, eBay, Dell, Argos, baker Ross, John Lewis, Boots plus loads more, log on first, select your store & purchase your items & the nursery will receive some commission - easy. Christmas is coming up - scary I know, but if you're like me I start shopping now.

Christmas present - mug designs

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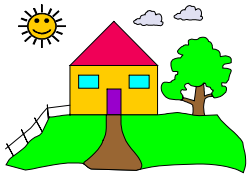
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Everyone will have a design sheet to bring home; you may wish to help your child do a design on a mug. You get a proof to see before you buy, or you can pay as soon as you return your design sheet. The mugs are £6.00 each & for each one ordered the nursery receives £2.00

Children's Food Festival Week



Thank you so very much for your kind donations, the children had a fabulous time. They tried lots of raw vegetables, some they liked, some they didn't. Raw cabbage, carrots, celery, mushrooms, tomatoes, ginger, pineapple, kiwi, herbs - mint, thyme, basil to name but a few. They looked, touched & cooked marrow, cooking apples, courgettes, red onions, garlic. They made minestrone soup, apple and blackberry crumble etc. As a healthy eating nursery we have decided to continue with getting the children to try different foods, therefore we have asked 5 a day, the fruit & veg shop down the High Street to provide us with unusual things to show & try. Again if you wish to send something unusual in then would be very much

appreciated. This year we will be issuing a healthy recipe for you to try at home.



Gardening Club

Rosa has been busy with the children planting winter pansies in our wellies and planted cress seeds during our food festival week. The children have been great at weeding too. Herbs like basil, parsley, thyme & different kinds of mint have been planted. If you wish to donate any bulbs, ferns etc then that would be very much appreciated.

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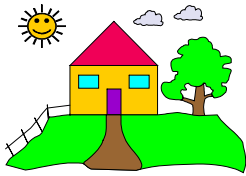
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We do require some extra items to ensure our gardening club is successful, so we will be holding a bring & buy cake sale on our coffee morning which is on Thursday 20th November. So please make, bake **or** buy **a** cake, stay for a coffee & buy a cake too. Many thanks for your help & support.

Safeguarding

Just a reminder that if your child brings in grapes in their lunch box, they do need to be cut in half length ways. There have been a couple of deaths resulting in children choking on whole grapes.

Can I please ask that if you've received an email from me can you please forward on photos of people that you authorise to

collect your child from nursery

Existing injuries - please let us know if your child has a scratch, bump, bruising or similar as they enter nursery. As you know we write all accidents in our file too.

Drop in session at the Children's Centre

Sarah Adams our local speech & language therapist will be available for you to drop by for a chat to discuss what you'd like to know about talking with your child, or if you have any concerns about your child's speech or language development, then pop into the children's centre on Friday 4th November. Can you also please inform us if you do visit the drop in session or access any of the Talk and play sessions run by Caroline at the children's centre. Also some of you will be getting appointments through for your child's two year check, again let us know how it went including if your child was screened.

Time to talk

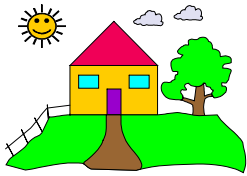
We will shortly begin screening some of the children so it would be helpful for any new parents to return the consent forms for screening and videoing so that your child can be include in this if you have not done so already. Also Penny our speech and language champion is always available to answer any concerns you may have regarding your child's speech and language development.

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Jofli Bear

We hope that Jofli bear has had an enjoyable holiday; he will be starting his visits home with your child, so that you have fun with him & write / take photos of him & return so that we can talk about his adventures.

Invoices

You will receive your child's invoice at the beginning of each half term electronically. So please look out for it in your "in box" prompt payment is required. You can either pay direct into our bank - bank details are at the bottom of the invoice, or by cheque, or cash, or childcare vouchers. Failure to make a payment within 14 days means that you will incur a £25.00 late payment charge and the risk of your child losing their place.

Please note that fees have been increased to bring in line with the government grant as discussed with our WCC audit.

Coffee Morning for all

Watch out for the next **coffee morning** - Friday 30th September, then we have a **messy stay & play** session on the 20th October, everyone's welcome. Have a look at "dates for your diary"

Afterschool Activities

Monday is sports & games with Rick including scalextric's, tinkering &

woodwork, depending on the season

Tuesday is crafty day with Vera for 5yrs and upwards, making gifts & specialist cards, getting ready for Christmas.

Wednesday is arts & crafts with Jane, doing dream catchers, making jewellery, themed weeks such as the Romans & Egyptian's, plus lots more

Thursday is cooking & gardening club, depending on the season with Rosa, we aim to grow foods & then use them, or there's Forest School with Kelly

Friday is movie night & ICT with popcorn. All the Club's close at 5.30pm

Half term - CLOSED

Monday 24th October - Friday 28th inclusive

With Regards

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