

NEWSLETTER.....JUNE 2016



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Hello, as most of you know, my name is Annette Brown and I am taking over the day to day management of Balmore Kindergarten. I have worked in the childcare sector for 18 years and been within a management position for the past 12 years +. .

I would like an opportunity to meet with all parent's to air any concerns/anxieties you may have and to also inform you of our exciting plans for the up and coming year. The meeting will take place **Thursday 23rd June @ 6.15pm**. We will hold the meeting upstairs. Please note: This meeting is NOT to discuss 3-5 partnership funding places, if you would like to discuss this, please come to the office.

Training: Throughout the month of May we have been involved in Nurturing principles training, through this training we plan to enhance our transitioning practice. We will be reviewing our current practice and implementing new procedures, with the child and parent at the centre.

Invoices: At the beginning of each month we will be generating and emailing you an invoice for the month ahead. This will be followed up with text alerts confirming receipt of payments and to give you a current balance. Please note all fees are due **weekly** in advance.

School leavers: I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our school leavers the best for the future, we are sure you will enjoy your new adventure at primary school. Just a reminder graduation tickets are still on sale from the office. If you have a child moving on to school, can you please confirm last day, with the office. Please note there is a 4 week notice period.

Visitors: We have had tremendous feedback from the children with regards to our weekly classes. Our big ducks and Owl children are loving our Jo Jingles classes, and Mini professor was a huge hit with our Monster room. We are having Zoo-Ed coming along to the nursery for our 3-5 room on Tuesday 5th July @ 10.30am to read 'Super worm', the children will then get to see, and hold some exciting creatures, ranging from giant African land snails to corn snakes and rabbits.

Thank you, Annette and team

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Improvement plan: We are looking to the year ahead, and through liaising with parents, children, and our staff team, our focus this year will be:

- 1 - Our garden area – developing our outdoor learning experiences, and focusing on literacy. We will be working alongside the volunteers within the Love Milton project
- 2 - Transitioning within the nursery and transitions from nursery to school
- 3 - Eco schools – we plan to further our success within this area and go for our green flag award