



# Avoncroft Nursery Newsletter



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**April 2017** - Welcome to the 'Summer' Term at Nursery and a special 'hello' to all our new children (Alexander, Esmee, Jude and Nicholas).

## Theme

This term our theme is based on the children's interests.

We are focusing on a letter sound each week and reinforcing counting and shapes. We would like to encourage all the children to bring a **labelled toy** or item representing the letter sound of the week or theme for show and tell, starting with the letter 'o' sound.

<u>Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Letter Sound</u>	<u>Children's Interests</u>
Week 1	24-04-17	o	Transport
Week 2	01-05-17	u	Doctors, Nurses, Hospitals
Week 3	08-05-17	l	Emergency Services
Week 4	15-05-17	f	Frozen
Week 5	22-05-17	b	Holidays

We are now investigating mini-beasts on a Friday morning for Forest Schools and teaching how to look after plants in the garden.

## Photographs

Group and single photographs are being held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May in the morning. If they do not usually attend the sessions they are welcome to drop in.

**P.E. Sessions** for children going to school September 2017 will take place on the rising stars sessions after the Whitsun Break. Each child will need to provide a P.E. Kit, consisting of shorts, T-shirt and pumps/trainers. Please bring and leave on their coat peg. The idea is to help the children gain their independent skills of changing into their P.E. Kit as well as taking part in games, so please **do not** dress them in the P.E Kit to come to the sessions.

**Our annual Garden Party** is now set for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 12 'O' clock until 3pm. All parents past, present or future are welcome. The Garden / BBQ is organised so that the parents / carers can socialise, have fun with their families and at the same time raise funds. All proceeds go to the children in the form of specialist teachers, toys and equipment.

**The price of the £6 ticket per family includes, Giant Sand Pit, Face Painting / Tattoo's, Craft Table and Garden Games. We are also looking into hiring a bouncy castle.**

Carol Hughes Heather Harden

Each week we will be collecting items, so please search and dispose of unwanted items in our direction.

### **Any items now welcome**

**(Soft Toys for Teddy Stall)  
(Children's Toys, Books and Jigsaws)**

**(Raffle Prizes)  
(Cakes)**

**(Jar and Bottles)**

### **Dates for the diary**

Photographs	9 <sup>th</sup> May older children and 10 <sup>th</sup> May younger children
Garden Party	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May - 12 '0' clock until 3pm
Graduation Ceremony	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July for children going to school September 2017 (End of Summer Term)

### **Fees**

We are constantly aware of the cost of childcare especially as we have to introduce the living wage for our staff from this term. The extra activities are still optional; Charges at present are French £1 and Ingredients 50p (per session). **Each child's attendance at the group is conditional upon continued payment of any necessary fees.**

### **Early Years Pupil Premium**

For the Summer Term 2017, we have been lucky enough to get extra money from the Early Years Pupil Premium to provide different experiences for the children to learn from. These will include outside professionals coming in to support us teaching P.E. Skills at the rising stars sessions.

### **Safeguarding**

All volunteers, trainees or outside professionals brought in to help will have been vetted through the DBS system and/or will be under direct supervision at all times. The gate will be locked after the children have arrived. Please ring the bell if you need assistance.