



Newsletter

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Staff News

We welcome a new administrator to the Arc!
Emily has recently joined us, be sure to say hello when you come in.

A big welcome from us all!



Monthly Updates

The children in the sunshine room enjoyed an animal tea party! At tea time, each child had an animal friend to share their picnic tea with.



Continuing with their theme of farm animals, the children engaged in nursery rhymes and did craft activities involving animals. Children in the sunshine room and the rainbow room both enjoyed playing with animals in Gelli Baff! The sunshine room had farm animals in their Gelli Baff and the rainbow room had Shells and sea creatures.



The children in the sunshine room designed their own Easter eggs using paint and then made some chocolate crispy cakes to share with their family's! to top off their Easter



activities they had an Easter Egg Hunt on the roof! In the rainbow room one of our themes was the very hungry caterpillar. The children did fruit printing with some of the fruits mentioned in the book, they were able to smell them and feel the different textures of the fruit. They also practised their throwing skills by throwing 'fruit' into his mouth and feeding the very hungry caterpillar!



Teddy Bears Picnic

We are having a teddy bears picnic!

On: Thursday 28th April

Please Bring a Teddy bear to share your picnic with!

Both the rainbow and sunshine rooms will be part of this event.

The Rainbow Room will be visiting the **Toy Museum** in Bethnal green this month!



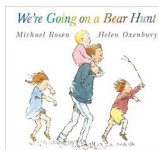
Fancy Dress Day!

We will be holding a fancy dress day at the nursery on:

Thursday 12th May

The theme for the day is superheroes and princesses! In aid of Crackerjacks children's

Trust. There will be a bucket at reception for any donations towards the charity.



The Themes for Next Month

Sunshine Rooms Theme

Farm animals.

Rainbow Rooms Theme

We're Going on a Bear Hunt & Goldilocks and the three Bears.

Best Practice at the Arc!

Our monthly update on best practice: On our last inset day all staff attended an in house safeguarding training. The training covered various areas including safeguarding legislation and nursery policies. We are pleased that all staff successfully completed the course gaining a certificate in Basic Child protection training.



Reminder for Parents when Dropping and Collecting Children.

We would like to remind all parents that when dropping off and collecting children it is not just their key person that the child can be handed over to. Messages left with any of the room staff will be passed on to the key person if they are busy when you arrive.

Nursery Closing Time Reminder

Can all parents please be aware that the nursery officially closes at 6pm, and as such **ALL** children and parents need to be leaving the building by this time.



If you will be arriving after 5.50pm you are late, and therefore need to phone the nursery to let us know when you will be arriving.

Please be aware that if you are regularly late then a **£20.00 late fee** will be charged.

Thank you!

Toys From Home

Please can all parents be reminded that toys from home should not be brought into the nursery as they can get easily lost or broken. Thank you!



Reception Corridor Reminder

Please could parents not allow their children to run up and down the main corridor. It is a health & safety hazard especially during busy times, and also creates excess noise making it hard to hear phone calls and talk to visitors at reception.



Can parents also be reminded to store all buggies in the buggy room rather than the corridors so that they are not a hazard for others. Thank you!



Inset Days for 2016

On the following days the nursery will be **CLOSED** for staff training

Friday 9th September
Friday 23rd December

Open Day 2016

We will be hosting our annual Arc Open Day on Saturday 10th September from 10am to 2pm



IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES: Please Read

Please take note of the following rules which are for the safety and wellbeing of all children in the nursery.

- Please do not allow your child to press the exit button for the front door, and **please ensure you close all doors and do not prop doors open for those behind you** - these are important safety issues.
- Please ensure you **close the gate** at the top of the stairs to the Sunshine room properly - shake it to check it has latched.
- Please do not allow your children to run in the corridor.
- Please leave your own toys at home, to avoid them getting lost or broken.



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