



Newsletter

July 2016



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Monthly Updates

We have had some really fun days out this month, the Rainbow room have visited the Aquarium at the Horniman's Museum. They spent the day looking at the animals as well as exploring the rest of the museum.



They enjoyed a picnic lunch and some of them had fun splashing in puddles on the way back to the nursery!

The Children in the sunshine room have also been very busy! They will be going to the Horniman's museum in a few days to see what they can explore. This month, they have enjoyed lots of water play with their friends. The children have also spent a lot of time in the garden as well as learning



all about our new baby chicks! aren't they just so cute?!

This month we have also had lots of fun planting on the roof garden. We are hoping to grow all sorts of fruit and vegetables to enjoy!



Moving on to School

With September fast approaching, children have now got their places for primary school. If your child is leaving the Arc for primary school this September please let Emily know ASAP!



Staff News

We will be saying a fond farewell to two of our staff members this month. **Charlotte** from the Rainbow room and **Helena** from the sunshine room will be leaving at the end of the month. We wish them all the best in their new adventures. We will also be welcoming **Emma** to the rainbow room team!



Spare Clothes

As we are doing more and more out door and messy play we would like all parents and carers to make sure that they have got 3 spare changes of clothes in the bag for their children. We would also like to ask parents to provide some swimwear for their children.

Don't forget socks!



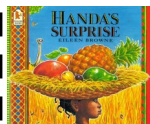
The Themes for Next Month

Sunshine Rooms Theme

It's Too Soon!

Rainbow Rooms Theme

Handa's Surprise and Rumble in the Jungle



Best Practice at the Arc!

This month's best practice update—Karen is going to visit the centre of Excellence! Where she will be attending a lecture on the development of children. There will be lots of other childcare practitioners there that Karen will also be able to network with.

Fuzzy New Friends!

We have welcomed 9 new chicks to the nursery! The children have been taking care of them since they hatched a few weeks ago. They have all had a chance to hold the chicks and learn about what they eat. They are currently still living inside in the warm until they grow bigger but when they are ready they will move up onto the roof where they will have lots of space to grow and explore.



Absence from the Nursery

We would like to remind all parents and carers to either phone the nursery or email Emily (admin@arcnursery.com) if your child is not going to be attending nursery so that we can ensure that we have correct attendance records for all children.



This will also allow us to ensure that you can use your swap days for the days that your child has been off. Swap days reset in April and each child gets 3 swap days per year to use for days when they were absent from nursery.

Thank you.

Practical Shoes for Play

Please can we ask that children are provided with practical shoes for play. At this time of year, we are doing a lot of water activities and if the children are wearing material shoes, they are then wet for the rest of the day and it will be really uncomfortable for the child.

We suggest something like crocs or jelly shoes that will not absorb the water but still be comfortable to wear all day.



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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