

## Nessies Nippers Nursery



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**9.30am -12.40 pm Mon - Fri**

### **January 2015 Newsletter**

We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and welcome you all back to a new term at nursery. Hopefully you have all enjoyed the holidays and are nice and refreshed.

The children have already voted that our new topic is going to be Soldiers which we have started work on already with our fabulous camouflage wall display. If anyone has any army/ soldier resources that could be borrowed would be greatly appreciated. To facilitate further learning we will be going on a trip to Fort George on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2016. We will meet at Fort George at 10am and we will have a wonder around the Fort, before we have snack at 11am. We will then go to a workshop in the museum at 11.30am which will last approximately an hour. We will then have a short time to have a look about the museum before pick up at 1pm. It would be appreciated if children could come appropriately dressed for cold weather with spare clothes in case of accidents. Parents are invited to stay for the duration of the outing if they wish. If you wish to bring a sibling along it will be at the cost of £1.50 to participate in the arts & crafts / dressing up workshop.

As we intend to be going out to the woods and beach to role play as soldiers and build dens, especially given the cold wet weather, it would be appreciated if all children could come to nursery with spare clothes and appropriate clothing such as coats, boots, gloves and hats.

We are pleased to see you all making use of the nursery garden in the morning as a safety precaution to keep children off the busy car park and away from

harm from cars, however could we please ask that all toys are returned to the shed after use to keep them safe - we thank you for your cooperation. We would also ask that caution is taken when coming up and down the hill in and out of the car park as it is a very busy place with so many young children now. I'm sure you would all agree 5mph is an appropriate speed for this area.

We would like to encourage you all to access your child's learning journey and floorbooks; and to leave any comments so you can always keep up to date with learning, please don't feel you have to wait for a parents coffee morning.

If you have any concerns regarding your child or would just like a chat regarding their progress feel free to speak to one of us at drop off or pick up, or if you prefer you can call us, or arrange a convenient time.

### **Illness**

*If your child is ill, please do not bring him/her to the Centre. Coughs, sneezes, sickness and diarrhoea spread very rapidly through the group. If your child has an infectious illness, please keep him/her away from the group until the infectious period is over. In line with NHS infection control guidelines we ask that in the case of sickness and diarrhoea you keep your child at home until they have been clear for 48 hours.*

*The following guidelines are the minimum periods of exclusion – the doctor in attendance may in some cases desire longer exclusions.*

- *Chickenpox 10 days from onset of rash*
- *Measles 4 days from onset of rash*
- *Rubella 4 days from onset of rash*
- *Mumps until the swelling has subsided, but not less than 7 days from the onset of symptoms.*

*Should your child be required to take prescribed medication during his/her attendance at the centre you will be required to comply with our centre's administering of medication procedures contained in the centre's parent's information folder. Staff will provide relevant information and guidance.*

**General:** *Non-specific medicine e.g. Calpol will not be administered by staff in sessional centres. For procedures for administering prescribed medication please see the full Health & Safety Policy.*

*Head lice can on occasion be a problem. We ask that all parents check their child's hair regularly and if any lice are found please treat your child as soon as possible. Information about head lice can be found in our policy folder.*

Dates for your diary:

Second part of literacy training will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January with Ashley so we would ask that you could pick up at the slightly earlier time of 12.30 to allow us time to get to training, as we will both be attending.

Nursery enrolment will be the week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> Feb and will be for any child who will be turning 3 from August 2016, it is important that children are enrolled in the first week of February.

We will be closed for February break the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> February, where we will both be attending Building the Ambition training.

Tracy will be attending Developmental Disorders training on 15<sup>th</sup> March so there will be relief staff in to cover absence.

Nursery will then close for 2 weeks for Easter Holidays on 24<sup>th</sup> March returning on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

Tracy will then be attending Assessment for Learning training on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016 so again relief staff will be in to cover.

If any parents are happy to help cover staff absences, they are encouraged to join CALA staffbank - details of which can be found in nursery, online or by asking Tracy or Deanne.

We would like to thank Fiona Cairns for the donation of an Ipad to nursery which the children are already making great use of.

Tracy & Deanne

