



May 2012 Newsletter

Dates for your diary

A number of holidays and other important dates are coming up. Please read the following carefully: The nursery will be closed on the following days: Thursday 3rd May - local election day

Monday 7th May - holiday

Tuesday 8th May - in-service

Friday 1st June - holiday Monday 4th June - holiday Tuesday 5th June - holiday (royal jubilee)

The nursery will close for the summer holidays on Wednesday 27th June at 1.00 - there will be no afternoon session on this day.

Nursery Parents' Consultation: These will be held on the week beginning Monday June 11th. This is primarily for children who are going to school but all parents are welcome to make an appointment. These will take place at the following times:

Monday 11th June - during nursery hours - Red Group Tuesday 12th June - during nursery hours - Blue Group Wednesday 13th June - during nursery hours - Yellow Group Thursday 14th June - during nursery hours - Green Group Friday 15th June - during nursery hours - purple Group.

There will also be an evening parents' night for those who cannot attend during the day - this will be held on Tuesday 12th June from 4.30-6.00.

Nearer the time staff will have appointment sheets. Please remember that if you cannot make any of these times we will always make time to speak to you at a more convenient time.

Nursery Graduation: This will be held for both morning and afternoon sessions on Thursday 21st June. Times for both sessions will be given nearer the time. All parents, carers and extended family members are warmly invited to join us on this day.

Lunches and extended hours

Please note that from session 2013/2014 Thornwood nursery will no longer be able to offer lunches or extended hours for any child. This will **not** affect any child already enrolled in the nursery but may have implications for younger siblings of children already here. This should enable us to offer every child in the neighbourhood their fifteen hour a week entitlement.

Going to School Programme

Mrs Gray will start the going to school programme on Thursday 10th May. This will run for four consecutive weeks. Please ensure your child brings a play piece each Thursday. An information sheet will be issued each week along with 'homework' for your child.

Show and Tell

Because of the 'going to school programme', we will have to rearrange our timetable slightly - for those four weeks there will be **no** show and tell for the pre-school children. The younger children may bring in a show and tell item each Thursday instead of Friday. Please make sure that these are not very precious items.

<u>Head lice</u>

Unfortunately, head lice can be a side effect of your child having fun in nursery. To help minimise the risk of an infestation please check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary.

School Summer Fair

The school summer Fair will be held on Saturday 9th June from 10am -1pm. Please support this if you can. Some of the money from last year's fair paid for the nursery children's mouse tale puppet shows in October.

Changing Sessions

Most of our morning children will be leaving to go to school in August and there will be a number of morning places available. If you currently attend in the afternoon but would like to change please speak to a member of staff and we will do our best to accommodate this.