



Welcome to our March Newsletter!

It is with much sadness that I need to let you know that Rachel has decided to leave us after 8 years. She has been a great colleague and friend to us all and we will miss her very much. Rachel's last day with us is 15th March and there is a card if any parent wishes to write a message and /or sign it for her. Her key children will be allocated to other members of staff shortly.

Fees – If you pay for your child to attend please make sure you do this on time!

Important Dates!

World Book Long Week!

- 2nd – 10th March

St Patrick's Week

- 13th – 17th March

Abbas Coombe visit

- Wednesday 5th April @ 10.30

Easter Bonnet Parade

- 7th April @ 11.15am and 2.15pm

End of Term

- 7th April

Worries or concerns...

If you are worried, concerned or not happy about something, please do let me (Liz) know. This can be done either verbally in private or in writing, which gives me an opportunity to discuss them with you, to see if I need to make changes or to reassure you of our practice.

What do parents/carers need to bring with their child...

- Filled water bottle
- Bag with nappies & baby wipes (if applicable)
- Healthy lunch box (no nuts or sweets please)
- Coat, spare set of clothes, sunhat, sun cream
- Dummies/soothers/comforters if used

What do parents need to tell us.....

- When your child is absent and why
- When your child has had a common childhood illness
- When your child has had an accident at home and has a mark/bruise
- When your child has had head lice
- When you move or change your phone number
- When someone we haven't seen before is collecting your child

All labelled please!
(Use marker/fabric pen, nail varnish, sticky labels)

Why? To ensure we are safeguarding children in our care appropriately

Healthy Lifestyle Useful Links and Apps!

The Children and Family Centre and Chichester District Wellbeing provide 'Cook & Eat' groups – contact them on 01243 521041,

info@chichesterwellbeing.org.uk

NHS 'Eatwell Guide' (<http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/Goodfood/Pages/the-eatwell-guide.aspx>)

Westsussexwellbeing.org.uk

Nhs.uk/change4life

Apps:

Change4Life Sugar Swaps
FoodSwitch UK
Easy Meals

Did you know.....

- We have a limited amount of Busy Lizzie's uniform in stock if you wish to purchase
- You can write a review about us on our website and our Facebook page!
- We like parents to stay and play if they wish to
- We like to let you know how your child has been, ask your child's Key Person-they will be very happy to let you know!
- We like parents to give us photos of what their child may have been doing - it encourages chatter which we love to hear!
- We have a copy of all our policies and procedures on our website, and a mastercopy on the desk
- We have a What's On' leaflet for the Children & Family Centre situated on the desk, please help yourself to a copy!

What should your Child wear to Busy Lizzie's....

Whilst at Busy Lizzie's, your child will get dirty as we love messy play! So please dress your child in clothes that you don't mind being covered in glue, mud, paint etc. We are about to order some new Busy Lizzie uniform.

Please remember **NOT** to use your mobile phone whilst you are within Busy Lizzie's. If you need to take a call, please wait until you have left the setting. This is necessary to ensure the safety of the children in our care.

Upcoming Trips Out:

We have organised to visit Abbas Coombe residents again to sing them some of our favourite Easter songs!

World book long week-please encourage your child to dress up and bring in their favourite stories!

Healthy Lifestyles Information:

Please see the above links & apps and the attached Healthy Lifestyles newsletter, leaflet and Do's & Don't for lunchboxes. This is all in accordance with our recent Ofsted inspection – any questions do ask!