

## Abbeywood Tots (Coniston)

### News letter

#### Welcome to all the new children

Abbeywood Tots would like to welcome all the new children and their parents/carers to the nursery, we hope you all have lots of fun with us and learn lots of new skills.

We would like to welcome back the children and parents/carers that have been with us before, and hope you all had a lovely summer break.

#### Autumn

The children will be able to play outside in all weathers we advise all parents/carers to bring in a pair of wellington boots and wet weather coat, gloves and trousers (clearly labelled). Could you also ensure that a change of clothes is available for your child when required. Thank you.

#### Messy Play!

We would like to remind you that when your child is in nursery, they will be engaging in messy play. Therefore, we would appreciate a change of clothes for your child, and also remind you that your child should be wearing clothes that are able to be cleaned easily and that you don't mind getting dirty!

#### 'All About Me' Topic (Frogs 3-5 yrs)

As many of you are new to nursery, we would like to do a topic about ourselves. This will help your children to make friends and bond with the adults. We will be learning about our families and how we are all different. You could help us by filling in the attached form giving us details of your family and where you live.

#### Diddy Dance

Every Monday between 9.30 and 10.15am, starting 12<sup>th</sup> September 2011, Jodie Bridgeman will be holding a dance session for children who attend the nursery, and also for children who live in the local area. Please feel free to ask your friends who have children to come along and join in the fun!  
Please telephone 0117 969 3990 or call into the nursery for more information.

#### 'Animals and Sounds' Topic (Butterflies 0-2yrs)

We will be looking at animals and the sounds they make, this will help to encourage the children's language and communication skills as they learn new sounds and vocabulary.  
We will be doing lots of singing and dancing and moving around, which will develop their physical abilities.

#### New Grant Hours

The new NEG hours are 9am-12pm and 12.30pm-3.30pm, please be aware that if you arrive early, you will be asked to wait in the foyer until the start of the session, and that you must collect your child promptly at the end of the session.

Welcome to our new members of staff

We would like to say welcome back to Carrie Roberts, she will be working with the Pre-School 3 days a week, and also a big hello to Dorota Bursztynska, who will also be working with the pre-school when Carrie is not here. Both Carrie and Dorota are highly qualified and will be assets to our team!

Bristol Standards

To further improve the provision for your children, we are embarking upon The Bristol Standard Quality Improvement Scheme, this is a nationally recognised self-evaluation scheme that is submitted on a yearly basis and will help us to look at what we do well and where we can enhance the provision.

Parent's Information Afternoon and Parent's Week

We will be holding a Parent's Information Afternoon on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, please feel free to come along and learn about the nursery and the frameworks we work to.

We are also holding a Parent's Week, where you will have the opportunity to speak to the staff about your child's progress throughout this term and look through their 'Learning Diary' please make an appointment using the form displayed on the foyer door. Parent's week will take place the week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

Spare clothes please!!!!

If you having any spare clothes at home that could kindly donate to nursery, it would be much appreciated, we are desperate for baby clothes and socks, and also trousers/bottoms for all ages. Thank you.

Children's Drawers

Please remind your child every day to check their drawers for important information and also any artwork they want to take home, it is crucial for children to be able to take responsibility for their own belongings, so we will be reminding them too! Also, any work that they want to take home must be valued and rewarded, so with your cooperation, we like to celebrate their achievements by praising their work no matter what it is!!!!

Forthcoming Events

**Autumn Term 2011**

**12<sup>th</sup> September – 21<sup>st</sup> October**

**31<sup>st</sup> October – 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**Half term (no grant)**

**24<sup>th</sup> October – 28<sup>th</sup> October**

**Parent's Information Afternoon**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 4-6pm**

**Parent's week (please make appointment)**

**W/B 14<sup>th</sup> November**

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