

9<sup>th</sup> June 2010

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back, we hope you enjoyed the sunshine during the holidays.



PARENTS SESSION - Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 9.30 - 10.30 and 1.30 - 2.30

As part of our 'Every Child a Talker' project we are delighted to be running a session for parents about supporting childrens language development in particular Listening and Attention. The session will have lots of practical ideas for activities and games to play with your child. It will be led by Anthea Williams an Early Language Consultant. Please complete the form at the bottom of this letter and return to the office by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

FAMILY PICNIC - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 12 - 2.30

We need your help to prepare for our family picnic. We will hold a short meeting on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 2.15pm in the staff room. Please come along if you can. There will be tea and biscuits! We need ideas, enthusiasm and most of all a willingness to help plan what we hope will be a fun event. Please sign the list in the entrance hall if you can come to the meeting or are willing to help on the day.

#### STAFF NEWS

- We are very sorry that Sue Tierney is unwell with diabetes and will be off work until at least the end of term. We are however delighted that Claire Louise has now returned from her maternity leave and she will be taking Sue's group this term.
- As you know Janet is leaving at the end of this term. We are very sorry to see her go. We are planning to have a tea party to thank her for all she has done for the school. It will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July from 2.45 - 4.00 with a presentation at 3.30pm. Parents and children past and present are very welcome to come. We are having a collection for a leaving gift. Please make your contribution at the office and ask for a slip to write a message to put in her leaving book.
- We look forward to welcoming Sarah Phillips as our new teacher next term.

#### ROAD SAFETY

Thank you to everyone who signed our petition for improved road safety measures outside nursery. There were over 70 signatures on the petition which we will submit this week. We will keep you informed of any developments. Meanwhile please take great care when crossing Lydalls Road and remind your children of road safety.

## GARDENING

HELP! We had very little response to our plea for help with the garden. If you can offer even half an hour please see Joanna. There is a lot to do in the garden at this time of year! Thank you!

## POSSIBLE NURSERY CLOSURE

Please read the attached letter. We are very concerned that one of Oxfordshire's 7 nursery schools is under threat of closure. There is a petition against this in the entrance hall, please sign it!

## JACQUES AND ROGER

Our visitors to nursery, Jacques and Roger, have returned to their homes. They are now our pen pals. We would love you to help your child to write a letter to them to let them know what you did during the holiday. Look out for a post box in school. We hope to set up a post office shortly so any contributions of post cards, envelopes, stamps, rubber stamps, leaflets etc would be very welcome.

## CHAMELEON CLUB

Chameleon Club will be open for usual hours on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. Due to preparation for the building work which will be taking place in the summer holidays Chameleon Club will be closed on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Holiday club will be running at Willowcroft School from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August. Chameleon Club will reopen on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.



## NEW PARENTS EVENING AND OPEN EVENING

Our termly Open Evening is on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July from (6.30- 7.30pm). Please see your group leader if you wish to book an appointment on this evening to discuss your child's progress. We are again inviting Steve Laurence, a Child support Officer from OCC, to come and discuss Tax Credits and Childcare Vouchers, and Sarah Phillips, our new teacher, will also be here to meet parents.

## GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

The group photos have arrived and been distributed, any orders need to be returned to the office by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Apologies to Sue's group as their photo was not sent to us, we are in the process of chasing this up.



**LYDALLS NURSERY SCHOOL**  
**IMPORTANT DATES**

Date	Event
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Family Picnic Meeting 2.15pm
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Photo Order and Parent Session Booking deadlines
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Family Picnic 12 - 2.30pm
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening 6.30 - 7.30pm
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> July	ECAT Parent Sessions 9.30 - 10.30 & 1.30 - 2.30
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Janet's Leaving Party 2.45 - 4.00
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last full day of term 6
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of term 6 School Closes at 11.30
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Chameleon Club Closed
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> July - Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Chameleon Club running at Willowcroft School
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	First day of Term 1 2010/11

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**PARENT SESSION - Supporting Children's Language Development**

I would like to attend the following parent session held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July

9.30 - 10.30am            *(please tick your preferred choice)*

1.30 - 2.30pm     

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Return Deadline Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June***