



Lydalls Nursery School and Chameleon Club newsletter – June 2018

Dear Parents and carers

The end of another school year is rapidly approaching and I now find myself writing my final newsletter as Headteacher at Lydalls Nursery School. I have been incredibly fortunate to work with your wonderful children for the last five and half years and I will be leaving with so many happy memories. In September, Sarah Phillips, who is currently our lead teacher, will be the Acting Headteacher at Lydalls Nursery School.

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who responded to the recent Parent Questionnaire. The response was far higher than in previous years. Whilst responses were very positive, analysis of these has given senior leaders and Governors a really clear indication of areas where you perceive things are going well and aspects for us to reflect on going forward. It was particularly useful to receive your enthusiastic feedback on the Tapestry learning journeys as this has been a key focus of our School Improvement Plan this year. Thank you so much for helping us with this.

Summer Picnic – Friday 29th June 5.30pm - 7pm

Tickets are now on sale at the school office for the annual Summer Picnic and cost £1 for children and adults. Children will also be bringing Raffle tickets home to sell to friends and family. The first prize, as always, is a luxury Summer hamper and all money raised goes towards resources in the Nursery.

The Summer Picnic is for families and friends of Lydalls and is a key event in our school calendar. The picnic is always a lot of fun with ice lollies and face painting for the children and a licensed bar for adults. The picnic is a 'bring and share' event where everyone contributes an item of food. A list to sign up against is in the reception area. See you there!

GDPR

Like many schools, we are in the process of revising our data protection policy in line with GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations). Our revised privacy notice will be published on our website in due course.

If you want to find out more information about GDPR you may find the following links useful:

- <https://www.gdpr.school/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/gdpris-gdpr-infographic-parents.pdf>
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ua_LzUJ_wu8&feature=youtu.be

Wednesday 18th July 'Cake Sale' – in memory of Pat Rush

Earlier this year, Pat Rush, Bodhi Rush's father, passed away. As well as being a huge Oxford United fan, Pat managed a local football team, Hendred's Football Club. We would therefore like to raise some money to buy a resource that all the children can enjoy in his memory, some child sized football nets for the outdoor area.

If you are able to help run the stall at the end of the morning or afternoon session on Wednesday 18th July please let me or your child's key person know.

Bring your cakes in to sell on Tuesday 17th July. Further reminders closer to the time!

Transition to school

This is the time of year when we have started to talk to our older children about the transition to 'big school' in September. You might have noticed examples of school uniform in our dressing up area! Teachers from several Didcot Primary Schools are coming in to meet the children during the next couple of weeks. If your child is going to be visiting their new school please let us know so we can note this in the register.

Leavers Reports and Parents Evening

All families who are leaving Nursery will receive a leavers report for their child on Friday 29th June.

We will also be hosting a Parents Evening on Monday 9th July. As usual, you will be able to sign up for an appointment with your child's group leader beforehand.

Last day of the Summer Term

Nursery closes at 11.45am on Wednesday 25th July. There will be no afternoon nursery session however the Chameleon Club and 30 hour session is open as usual that day.

The last day of term for afternoon children is Tuesday 24th July.

Dates for diaries

Friday 29 th June	Family Picnic 5.30 – 7pm
Monday 9 th July	Parent's Evening 4 – 6pm
Wednesday 25 th July	Last day of term 6 – Nursery Closes at 11.45am Chameleon Club and 30 hour session open as usual
4 th & 5 th September	INSET Days – Lydalls Closed
Thursday 6 th September	First day of Term 1 2018-19
22 nd – 26 th October	Half Term – Lydalls Closed
Monday 29 th October	INSET Days – Lydalls Closed
24 th Dec – 4 th January	Christmas Holiday – Lydalls Closed
Monday 7 th January	INSET Days – Lydalls Closed
18 th – 22 nd February	Half Term – Lydalls Closed
8 th – 22 nd April	Easter Holiday – Lydalls Closed
Tuesday 23 rd April	INSET Days – Lydalls Closed
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday – Lydalls Closed
27 th – 31 st May	Half Term – Lydalls Closed
Wednesday 24 th July	Last day of term 6