

### **Personal, social and emotional development:**

This term the children will continue to develop self-confidence and a belief in themselves. They will be encouraged to select and carry out activities and to be more independent in their self care (toileting, washing hands, helping themselves for drinks and fruit, and getting dressed). We will continue to support their understanding between right and wrong. For some of the children who are joining us this term, this will be the time when they bond with their key person and their peers. We will be having activities which encourage turn taking and sharing.

#### **How you can help:**

Ask your child about their day at Nursery. Encourage children to put on and fasten their own coats. Talk to your child about the importance of talking to an adult if they need support solving a problem.

### **Knowledge and understanding of the world:**

We will be investigating objects and materials from our indoor and outdoor area. Children will be introduced to new vocabulary and they will be encouraged to describe the properties of different objects (size, colour, etc). We will be focusing on activities that describe changes (for example the weather/season changes).

#### **How you can help:**

Explore your local area, talk about the things around you, and then maybe draw some pictures to capture the experiences; take photos.

Photos can be brought and shared with peers.

### **Creative development**

The children will continue to use a variety of materials, explore with making marks and experiment with colours. Different styles of music will be played to encourage singing and movement and we will be learning more about musical instruments and how they work.

We will continue to pretend and engage in imaginary play.

#### **How you can help:**

Ask the children to teach you the songs we are learning. Continue to celebrate each and every mark we make.

### **Physical development**

The children will continue to explore the nursery environment, practising their big and small muscles. We will run, skip, climb and jump safely.

We will use a range of equipment, both small and large. We will be learning how to use our resources safely.

#### **How you can help:**

Visit a local park and other outdoor spaces. Encourage your child to dress and feed themselves.

### **Maths**

The children will be encouraged to show curiosity about numbers and use some number names accurately in play. We will explore similarities in shapes in the environment and use shapes to construct. We will take part in number hunts, maths trails, and cooking activities. The children will be introduced to a mathematical language such as more, less, all together, add and take away.

#### **How you can help:**

Look for numbers in the environment on buses, doors or when shopping. Look for patterns in nature. Make groups of natural objects, e.g. colours, conkers, and sticks - how many did you find?

### **Communication, language and literacy**

The children will listen to and enjoy a range of books and become more confident in speaking and listening to others. We will read stories at story time. We will learn songs and action rhymes.

We will continue to support the children to write their names in meaningful for them ways.

#### **How you can help:**

Talk about your child's day at Nursery. Read stories and talk about them. Visit and use our library. A trip to the local shop or high street could be an opportunity to point out letters, talk about the signs and labels you see.

In order for our Nursery to run smoothly and to ensure that children benefit fully from what we offer, we would respectfully ask you to observe the following:

### **Nursery Times! Don't Be Late!**

**AM:** 9am-11.30am **PM:** 12.45pm-3-3.15pm **FT:** 9am-3-3.15pm

Morning registration closes at **9.15am** and afternoon registration closes at **1pm**.

**Please telephone us if you are going to be unavoidably late!**

**020 7622 1393**

**If your child is Full-Time or if it is their one full day and arrives after 9.30am, they might not be able to stay for lunch if you haven't rang us beforehand as numbers will have been sent to the school kitchen.**



### **Our Daily News Time**



**Please look at our TV Screen on the wall each morning to find out what is happening in the Nursery !**

### **Holidays!**

Please fill out a holiday request form if you intend to take holidays during term time.

We can't always keep places available if children are absent for long periods of time, but recognise the value of children visiting relatives abroad.



### **Attendance!**

It is important that children attend nursery regularly, to benefit fully from what we offer. **Regular attendance also lays good foundations for your child's educational journey.**



**School fund (Bob Money) is a Voluntary Contribution of £1 for Part time children and £2 for Full time.**

Payable on Tuesdays



**A Big Thank You to all Parents & Carers who contribute.**

School fund helps us to pay for all the extras such as trips, cooking ingredients, and printing photos. It really does make a difference to the school.

## Triangle Nursery Parents Holiday Dates 2011-2012

### Autumn 2011

#### Term 1

**Start Date:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2011

**Finish Date:** Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011

#### Term 2

**Start Date:** Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011

**Finish Date:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011 – CONFERENCE DAY

### Spring 2012

#### Term 3

**Start Date:** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012

**Finish Date:** Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2012

#### Term 4

**Start Date:** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2012

**Finish Date:** Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012 – CONFERENCE DAY

### Summer 2012

#### Term 5

**Start Date:** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012

**Polling Day:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2012

**Bank Holiday:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012

**Finish Date:** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2012

#### Term 6

**Start Date:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2012

**Finish Date:** Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012 – CONFERENCE DAY

### Things to remember:

- Applications for Primary school for children born between 01/09/2007 and 31/08/2008 should have been in by 15th Jan 2012. If you think you have missed the deadline or need some advice please speak to Wendy or Suzanne.
- We have had to add an extra INSET day on Tuesday 17th April. New holiday dates have been given out but are always available from reception if you need one.
- Please remember to mark children's names in their clothing as we have had items go missing but can't always match up clothes that are found with their owners.
- Please remember to always close the gate properly when entering or leaving the nursery. The gate should not be held open as this puts your child's safety at risk.
- If your child is absent please ring in to tell us why or tell Suzanne/Leane when you return. If we don't have a reason for absence it will be marked down as unauthorised which is then sent on to your child's Primary school.
- Please check our website [www.trianglenursery.org](http://www.trianglenursery.org) for holiday dates etc. We also have application forms for children online that we register from 2 years old so please remember to tell your friends/family.



**PLEASE REFRAIN** from using mobile phones in the nursery:

## Triangle Nursery School Newsletter Spring Term 2012

Sorry for the delay in welcoming you all back to the Spring term, hopefully the children have enjoyed a good Christmas and New Year holiday break and are refreshed and ready for a new term at Nursery! A warm welcome also to all of our new children and families who will be joining us this term. Most of our intake now happens during the Autumn term and by now all of those children should be settled into their new nursery routines.

This is a very busy term as we embed our school routines and Early Years Curriculum. As parents are aware we provide a rich and stimulating nursery curriculum to meet the needs of all children that attend our school.

Just a reminder that communication with parents/carers is key for young children to reach their optimum and we can only achieve this if we work in partnership with parents and carers.

Please feel free to ask questions and talk to staff about any concerns. Staff endeavour to be accessible, however, there may be times when it is not possible in the busy classroom. If you feel your query needs immediate attention, please speak to me (Sue Donovan), Wendy or a member of the teaching staff, who will be pleased to help. We all strive and work hard to ensure that our provision is of the highest quality in order to provide the very best early years experience for every child.

We all look forward to this term which will be busy and offering as many exciting opportunities for all of our children to learn.

Best Wishes

Sue Donovan

Head Teacher

Good day to you, my name is Melanie Brown, I am a parent governor of Triangle Nursery for roughly two years, I am a parent to my autistic son who also attended this nursery. The purpose of this short introduction is to let you know, that I am planning to hold a surgery every two-three months regarding any issues regarding your child's special educational needs. I would like your opinions and suggestions as to what topics you would like discussed, a few topics that I have identified are:

- Benefits
- General Support via Family fund
- Statement of Special Educational Needs

I would like to hold the first surgery in April and have arranged for the manager of Contact a Family which is an organisation that advises families, who have children with special educational needs, within all areas of care.

I would appreciate if you could let me know, if you would be interested in a surgery discussing these needs and any comments or issues you have which would be gratefully received.