

Woodcroft News

July 2018

Stairgate appeal —If you have one or two stairgates that you no longer use and would be happy to donate to Little Woodcroft, it would be very much appreciated. Thankyou!



All children do need to have suncream applied before they come to nursery.



We will then reapply as necessary during the day.

Strawberry Fayre

We had a wonderful time at the Strawberry Fayre and Glastonbabies was certainly a huge hit! We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Thanks to all your fantastic efforts, we raised over £1000. Thank you to all



those who helped before, during and after the event and to all those who attended—we couldn't have done it without you.

BIG DAY OUT

We had two glorious days at Walton on the Naze, it was wonderful to see the children so happy, making sandcastles, paddling in the sea, finding shells and having lots of fun with their friends.



Sun hats

Hats are important in this weather. Please make sure hats are named and encourage your child to look after their own hat and put it in their cubby-hole when they take it off, we will do the same. Having to track down hats at the end of the day can be quite a challenge!



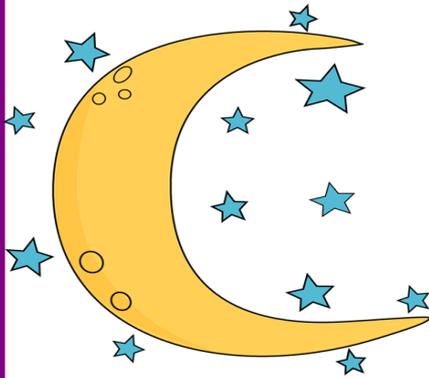
Goodbyes

This year has gone so quickly and in just a few weeks we will be saying goodbye to many of our children who are leaving for the next step on their educational journey. They have grown so much while they've been with us and we have loved having them all. We hope you'll stay in touch and maybe come back and see us (and Santa) at the Christmas Fayre.

We will also be saying goodbye to five of our staff at the end of this term. Gill Wehren, Louise Harding and Jane Hadfield are, very sadly, being made redundant due to funding cuts. Sophie Parker will be leaving to take up a full time role at a new school and Fiona Lesforis, who has been with us since 1994 is taking a well deserved early retirement. If you would like to make a contribution to a leaving gift for any of these members of staff, please place in an envelope and hand in to the office.

The last day of the summer term is Friday 20th July. We wish all our families a very happy and fun filled summer holiday and look forward to seeing those that are returning in September, along with our new families. We would also like to wish our leavers the very best of luck as they start their new adventures at school - please stay in touch and maybe pop back for a visit now and then—you'll always be welcome.

Some Changes for September



Next term in the big nursery we will have two home base rooms, Moon and Stars. Those children currently in Stars now will stay in Stars in September and their key staff will stay the same. Those children currently in Clouds now will have the Moon room as their home base and their key staff will stay the same. Our returning Moon room children will stay in the Moon room, they will be with the returning Clouds room children but their key staff will be the staff currently based in the Clouds room.

A few reminders:

- Thank you to everyone who has returned our parents survey, we appreciate your feedback.
- Have you booked a parents evening slot yet? (These appointments are for 10 minutes, if you feel you need longer it may be more appropriate to make an appointment for another time)
- Price increases from September: Breakfast club, £4.50; After School Club (1hr) £4.00; After School Club (2hrs, with tea) £9.00; After School Club (2.5 hrs, with tea) £12.00

Monday 9th July Parents Evening 4-6PM

Wednesday 11th July Parents Evening 5-7PM

Friday 20th July Nursery closes for summer

Thursday 6th September Little Woodcroft and Toddlers reopen for the Autumn Term

Friday 7th September Woodcroft opens for the Autumn Term

Friday 19th October last day before half term

22nd—26th October Woodcroft, Little Woodcroft, baby and toddler groups closed for half term

Friday 23rd November Whole Nursery Closed

Saturday 1st December Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 19th December Whole Nursery closes for Christmas.

Staff training days in 2019 will be **Monday 25th February, Tuesday 23rd April and Wednesday 15th May**

Thank you for taking time to read our newsletter. It is available on the website too.

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