

# Blue Bell Woods Day Nursery Newsletter



## July 2015: What are we learning at Blue Bell Woods?

### I Can Sing a Rainbow...



Following some of the children's interest in the song "I can sing a rainbow", we have been making rainbow patterns with pasta, threading rainbow necklaces, exploring coloured rice and building rainbows with playdough and wooden construction arches.

*EYFS- Expressive arts and design, 30-50 months: Beginning to be interested in and describe the texture of things. 40-60 months: Manipulates materials to achieve a planned effect.*

*Mathematics, 30-50 months: Shows an interest in shape and space by playing with shapes or making arrangements with objects, 40-60 months: Counts up to three or four objects by saying one number name for each item.*

### Cookery Club! Rainbow fruit salad, cakes and smoothies!...



We have enjoyed touching, smelling and tasting a range of fruits of the different colours of the rainbow. We talked about how we found stones in the cherries and the blueberries were tiny!

*EYFS- Understanding the World, 22-36 months: Notices detailed features of objects in their environment.*

*Physical Development, 30-50 months: Understands that equipment and tools have to be used safely.*



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### Pre-School Graduation Party



We were delighted to welcome so many children to our recent Pre-School Graduation Party. The children enjoyed a picnic buffet lunch in the garden, and took part in ring games, singing and celebrations.

Nerys and all the staff were overwhelmed by the amount of cards, gifts, flowers and chocolates we received from the Pre-School leavers and their families; thank you for your generosity. We would like to wish all the children who are leaving us every success in the future and we hope you will all keep in touch!



### Sports Day – New Date Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August, 10am-10.45am

Families are invited to a very informal Sports Day on the morning of Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August from 10am to 10.45am.



Children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of physical activities in the garden (weather permitting).

### Teddy Bears' Picnic Tea Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 4pm

Families (and teddies) are invited to join us for a picnic tea!



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Happy Birthday! The following children are celebrating birthdays in July...



Joseph (1)



Poppy (1)



Leo (3)



Eliana (4)



Scarlet (3)



Emily (4)



NelsonJohn (4)

## Term Dates:

The Warwickshire School term begins on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September**, and funded sessions also resume on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. (Not 14<sup>th</sup> September as previously advised)

## Reminders:

- Please ensure you inform us of any change to your personal details, e.g. telephone number, address, emergency contacts, your child's medication, allergies or dietary requirements.
- Please clearly NAME all your child's belongings to avoid confusion, as many children have the same or similar coats, bags, wellies etc. Thank you.

## Staff Update

We are sad to say that unfortunately Philippa Clarke has had to leave the nursery due to family circumstances. We would like to thank Philippa for her contribution to our Baby Unit in the short time she was with us.

## Your Story Photography by Kasenya



The deadline to return photograph orders has been extended to **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July**. If you have already placed your order, photos should be ready for collection on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July.

If you have any queries, please contact the photographer, Kasenya directly on 07540 093551.

## Sun Policy Update:

Please ensure you provide your child with a named sunhat to keep at nursery if possible.

We now have a nursery supply of sun cream (Nivea Factor 50+) which we are happy to provide for all children.

Opting Out: Please supply your child with a named bottle or stick of sun cream if you would prefer us to use a different brand. Please inform a member of staff.

## Parking- Polite Notice

Please can we request that parents and carers park with consideration near the nursery. Please do not park on the corner of the junction and please do not block any local residents' drives. Many thanks.