

St John's Nursery Group - St. John's Church

Newsletter



Time to say goodbye...

Time really does fly when you work in childcare - how have we completed another full year and we're ready for the summer holidays?! It has been so nice to see children at the church enjoying their final term with us, alongside their Goodbye Party and then the graduation for the school leavers. I have known many of them from when they started alongside my daughter Isabella, so it has been lovely to get to know them all and see them grow and progress in their time at St. John's.

Jo has been a wonderful duty manager at the church and we're sad to see Jo leave, but know her new nursery are very lucky to have her! We wish her all of the best for the future, alongside Emma and Beau who are also moving onto new things. All of the staff at St. John's do such a great job and genuinely care for the children, so want to thank them all for their hard work this term. Finally, if you're out and about getting some shopping over the summer, don't forget to vote for us if you're heading to the Tesco Express Redhill (73 Canalside, RH1 2NH).

We look forward to welcoming many families to the Lodge in September. Please can children joining us remember welly boots, water bottle, sun cream and a hat (all labelled). Also, if we don't already have one for your child, please can a family photo be emailed to Lauren?

We wish all school leavers and those going elsewhere all the best for the future. Please keep in touch!

Kind regards,
Maz Wilkinson
Nursery Group Area Manager

USEFUL DATES

Summer Term 2 Ends: 25th July

Nursery Graduation:
School Leavers only - 26th July

Back to Nursery at The Lodge:
4th September

USEFUL CONTACTS

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We have a brilliant way to raise free donations for the Nursery!

We've started using easyfundraising, a really clever website that turns your online purchases into free donations for us, at no extra cost to you. It means you can help us reach our target really easily - simply shop with any of over 3,300 online retailers and when you make a purchase, the retailer will send us a free donation. It's as simple as that!

Please visit our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohnsnursered/2utm_campaign=raise-more and click 'support us' - we really do need your support. Thank you!

MATCHED FUNDING

Some large corporations offer matched funding, where they match the donations raised for a charity. Do you work for a company that offers matched funding? Please get in touch with Rebecca if so.



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If you're joining us at The Lodge, Autumn Term 1 invoices will be issued on 1st September, to be due within two weeks of that date.

Funding declaration forms will also be sent on 1st August, for children claiming FEET funding, 15 hour or 30 hour funding for 3-4 year olds. Please ensure this is returned by the start of term so the funding can be claimed for you child's sessions.

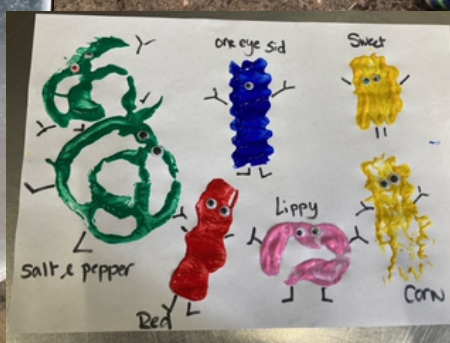
WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE CHURCH?

The church has been very busy as we get things ready for the closure, but there has been so much going on for the children too. We have had different themed activities as well as our usual outdoor play and outings over to the church.

One of the children's favourite things to do is make batches of playdough. The children made some with added sparkle! The children have become so good at remembering what ingredients they need and helping to pour out each ingredient so we can make it. They also love to get their hands messy!

The children have also had fun showing fascination with different bugs. They started the first week of July learning about the life cycle of butterflies and frogs. The children found some snails in the garden; they named them and took care of them. They even found out some amazing facts about snails. The children then created their own creatures using different shapes vegetables, paint and eyes.

The children also got busy in the mud kitchen this month creating lots of tasty meals, as well as building with blocks to create some famous monuments.



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