



# Robin Hill Nursery Newsletter

## November 2015

### Let's talk about Christmas...

It's that time of the year again and we have lots planned in December to celebrate. You will be starting to receive letters regarding the annual concert which the Butterfly children take part in and the party for the Caterpillars.

Dates below:

Butterfly Concert Rehearsal – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm (St. John's Church)

Butterfly Concert – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 10am (St. John's Church) followed by a party and visit from Santa.

Caterpillar Christmas Party and visit from Santa – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 10-12 **\*All children welcome. Please stay and supervise your child if they are not booked in to nursery that day. Alternatively, see if we have availability to book your child in for an extra session.**

We will also be hosting our annual Christmas Craft evening on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 6:30-7:30pm**. It is a festive evening with mulled wine (for the grownups) and minced pies (for the little ones). It is a chance for you and your children to come along and get creative – make some decorations and have a catch up with the staff.



### Employee of the Month

Last month, you voted for Kerry – Our individual needs assistant for all of her hard work and dedication.

Who will you vote for this month? Please put your votes in the Post box in the reception area.

Who has stuck out as providing exceptional care?

Staff name.....

The reason why they should be our Employee of the month.....  
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Your name (optional).....

### Administration – Session times.

It is very important that you try to keep to your booked session times. We have a strict adult:child ratio that we have to keep to and if you collect your child late it could mean that we are not operating legally! If you drop your child off late please do not add this time onto the end of the session. We appreciate that sometimes things happen to delay you - if this is the case please try to let us know ASAP. Don't forget - if you need us to extend your child's session as a 'one-off' just ask. We are happy to book extra hours if we have availability.

**FUNDED CHILDREN** - please remember that funded sessions are being paid for your child. We have to record any funded hours that are not used and advise the EYEE team. If you are missing lots of hours or sessions your funding may be reduced or reclaimed.

Email the office with any queries -  
info@robinhillnursery.co.uk

## Visits and celebrations

**Creation Station - 9<sup>th</sup> November 10am:** Alex from Creation Station will be in leading a crafty activity with the Butterfly children.

**Children in Need - w/c 9<sup>th</sup> November:** We will be raising money for Children in Need all week by baking and selling cakes and coming to nursery in fancy dress. Any donations will be hugely appreciated.

**Diwali - 11<sup>th</sup> November:** We will be celebrating the festival of light by creating our own lanterns, decorating Rangoli patterns to bring good luck and much more.

**Road Safety Week - w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> November:** We will be discussing road safety all week. If you would like to get involved and try walking to nursery for the week, we have high visibility jackets for you to borrow for your child.

**Rave Bugs - 18<sup>th</sup> December:** We're finishing the term with a BANG. Phill will be back with his African Drums to lead a noisy session with the children. Phill will be with the Caterpillars 10:30-11 and the Butterflies 11-11:30. *\*If your child does not attend this session, you can book them in for an extra session to ensure they don't miss out; alternatively, you can stay and supervise them for the duration of the visit.*

## Dates for your diaries

**Last day of autumn term - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** \*Please note: If your child is registered as 'Term Time Only', this will be their last day of the year.

**Last day of EYEE funding - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas closure - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December** we will close at 12:30pm. We will reopen our doors on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

All the ESCC term and holiday dates can be found on the East Sussex County Council website.

## Our NEW room!

As some of you may be aware, we closed our After School Club at the end of term.

We will be using the room as an additional play room for all of the children. The room has been named the '**Cocoon Room**' and will be a transition room for the Caterpillars.

It will mean that the older Caterpillar children will benefit from more time with the Butterfly children which in turn will ensure that the transition is much smoother.

## Christmas Jumper Day

We are well and truly getting in to the Christmas spirit.

We will be raising money for Crackerjacks Children's Trust on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. We are asking children to wear a Christmas jumper to nursery and donate £2.



## Have you seen our garden?

We had a makeover during half term and now have grass!!! We love it and we hope the children will too! It will (hopefully) mean no more muddy feet in the winter...We'll see ☺