

MONTY'S NEWSLETTER



Summer Term- June 2016

PARENTS/CARERS PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Nursery Security

Please ensure when you arrive and depart you

Close all gates securely behind you.

Also please be reminded; parent/ carers **are not permitted** to allow entry to any other person- it is important that the staff can account for who is entering/ leaving the grounds.

If you are unfamiliar with any person please **DO NOT** allow them entry into the nursery. Thank you.

This is continually happening!

Policy of the Month

Our policy of the month is **Arrivals & Departures**; please ensure these procedures are being adhered to for the health and safety of all children attending.

All nursery policies are available to view on our website and policy of the month on our parent boards.

EYFS Tapestry

We hope you have all been accessing and enjoying the children's Tapestry journals.

If you haven't yet been made aware, parents too can add photos and videos with captions to your child's account, to share with the staff. The staff will be able to link these to the Early Years Framework and plan activities through the children's interests.



Parent Questionnaire Feedback

Thank you to those of you who completed our parent questionnaires, 98 questionnaires were sent out and 34 were returned. We value parents' feedback to ensure we are continuously reviewing and improving our provision we are providing the children who attend the setting.

We are pleased with the overall response we have received, and have taken into account the suggestions you have made to enable us to improve our practice further and meet your needs where possible.

Overall feedback	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A
Section 1- Quality of Care and Support	52.8%	41.9%	1.9%	0.5%	3.3%
Section 2- Quality of Environment	50%	47.1%	2.9%	X	X
Section 3- Quality of Staffing	68.4%	31.3%	0.3%	X	X
Section 4- Quality of Management and Leadership	57.2%	41.6%	0.8%	0.4%	X

Response

We are thrilled by the positive overall response from those who fed back to us and appreciate your kind words, the staff work hard to ensure the children who attend Monty's have a safe, happy environment where the children can learn and thrive.

We try to keep all parents up to date with changes to the setting and this information is found through frequent newsletters as well as on the parents' notice board in each room.

Where you will also see the staff teams photographs displayed if you wonder who new faces are or want to put a name to a face

For those of you who were unsure of any of Monty's policies and procedures; these P&P's were issued in your welcome pack and can also be found on our website.

We apologise for the security of the entrance gate as this was mentioned by several of you.

Due to the weather it can be temperamental; we do try to fix it as soon as possible, as well as display signs informing all parents and carers.

Funding Please be reminded it is

End of Summer Term on Friday 22nd July

Therefore there will be **No free funding sessions running from 1.00pm -4.00pm.**

The funding recommences on

Monday 5th September 2016.

If your child is leaving Monty's to start school in September, please be reminded we require one month written notice for their last day.

Monty's Garden

The staff are working on new ideas, designs and activities for our garden with the children. If you have any old kitchen appliances or pots and pans you no longer want for the children's mud-kitchen- we would appreciate the donations! We have had some of our all-weather canopies gone up for the children to continue to utilise the garden all year round.

Pre-School corner

The Preschool have been really fascinated with the human body and what is inside!

The children have been busy building skeleton pictures using cotton wool buds and straws for the bones. They have been explaining that are so we can move and we use an X-ray machine to look at our bones.

We have been practicing for sports day and have been learning to throw bean bags from varying distances. We have also been learning how to walk whilst holding an egg and spoon without using both hands!

We have been focusing on preparing our school leaver for their move to school by reading stories focussed on the first few days of school and discussing what they think it will be like. In the next few weeks we will be turning our role-play area into a school. If anybody has any old school uniforms from older siblings we could use, that would be great! We have already been visited by a couple of the children's teachers and are looking forward to meeting a few more in the next few coming weeks.

Monty's updates

- Jodie has returned to Monty's from Maternity leave and is now our Nursery Room Leader- Well done to her!
- Kerrie M has returned to lead the Kindergarten room.
- We would like to welcome new staff members Vikki, Heather & Jordan to the Monty's team
- Chloe, Shannon & Collette have left Monty's for the summer period to work abroad; we wish them luck and hope they enjoy the experience.
- Maria has increased her hours to become a Key person in the Kindergarten room
- Kelly will be returning from Maternity leave mid August

Nursery Accounts

If you have any queries or questions about your invoices please contact Michaela on 01732 866115 or accounts@manicmonsters.co.uk. Michaela works half days Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (although days may vary) and she will endeavour to get back to you as soon as she can.

Events

Dates for the diary for 2016

Preschool Sport's Day:
Wednesday 6th July

Manic Monsters Meet:
Saturday 16th July

Preschool Leavers Ceremony:
Monday 22nd August

Parent's Evening:
Thursday 13th October

Sponsored Walk:
Friday 11th November

Christmas Party & Nativity performance:
Tuesday 6th December