



NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2015

WELCOME

Welcome back to a new academic year. We hope you had a lovely summer holiday and are reinvigorated for the start of term as we are. New attendees that we are delighted to welcome into pre-school life are Lucy Hughes, Darcy Groves-Knight, Hartley Potts, Amelia Cresswell, Tara Bellhouse, Natasha Matthew-Jones and Matthew Rose who at last will be able to stay and play with his sister!

NEW STAFF

We are delighted to welcome our new pre-school assistants Brenda Clark and Amanda Ledger who will be joining our team this Autumn.

Brenda has been a childminder in Marden for the past three years and now wishes to transfer her passion for working with young children into a pre-school setting. She will be studying for her Level 2 NVQ with us and brings a wealth of understanding and sensitivity that we are sure will resonate with both our children and parents.

Amanda is Level 3 NVQ trained and used to work at Lamberhurst Pre-school and then Fidgets for 8 years. She currently works as a teaching assistant at the Mead School one day a week and teaches dance at St Mary's School, as well as ballet at Lamberhurst Dance School. In the past she set up and run a mother/toddler group and is also a voluntary helper at St Mary's Church Children's Club. Amanda's energy and sparkle will be a huge asset to us all.

PRIMARY SCHOOL OUTINGS

This term we will initiate more frequent trips to Goudhurst and Kilndown Primary School in order to utilise and enjoy their Forest School areas such as the pond and wigwam shelter. If you are able to spare some time to help accompany the children on these outings then please let Jo know. We have yet to schedule them and it would be great to know in advance when you are available to help.

FACEBOOK

One of our main modes of parent communication is our Facebook page. Our weekly themes and activities are posted there (and on our parent / carer website page), news items, photos of the children's work and more.

<https://www.facebook.com/GoudhurstVillagePreSchool>

INVOICES

If you need your invoice explaining, amending or you have any queries please do speak to Alison as she is only too happy to take time go through them with you.

LATE ARRIVAL

Due to increasing late arrivals we are going to say that those who arrive at pre-school later than 9.10 a.m. will have to simply drop off their child at the door. This is because it delays the session start time and can also be disruptive to those children who may find it hard to settle. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

ILLNESS

May we ask you to make sure you phone us when your child is ill and won't be attending on the first morning that they are absent.

FEEDBACK

We want to be the best we can and we're sure you want the best for your child so please don't hold back if you have any thoughts, suggestions, criticisms or proposals on how we are doing or how we could do things better. We are always available to talk to or if you would like to write to us instead please do so by emailing alisongvp@gmail.com