

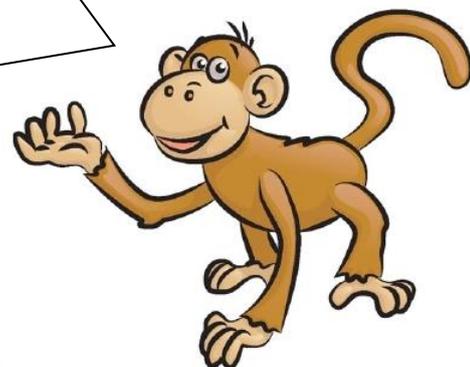
Newsletter June 2015

It's a very exciting month here in Alpha nursery, not only are we looking forwards to seeing if we win 'Early Years setting of the year' at the TES awards on the 19th of June, but also the manager Julie is getting married on Saturday the 27th. We would like to wish her all the very best for the day and her journey in to married life!! We will all have our fingers crossed for some sunshine on the big day! We would also like to wish all the daddies a very happy Father's day on the 21st June.

Messages from the rooms...

Monkeys, little and big!!

We would like to say a massive welcome to our new monkeys who have joined us this month. We are really pleased you are all settling into nursery life well. We have a new display for the children's art work so please pop in and see what the monkeys have been up too. Also if you would like to bring in any master pieces from home to display you are very welcome too. We would also like to remind families that we are displaying family pictures on our family tree so please bring in a photo of the family, this can also be emailed in and we can print them - enquiries@arkalphanursery.org thank you in advance for your fabulous photos x



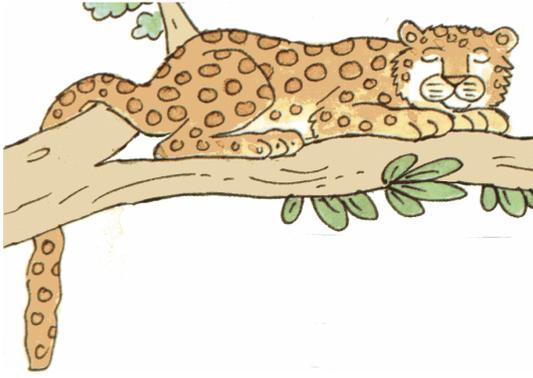
Zebras

We are having a very busy June. We have been out in the newly developed garden and are enjoying watching the new growing area and sand pit development by builder Dave. The children have really been enjoying our story of the month '5 little men in a flying saucer' and frequently reset it to be read again and again! The song of the month is 'down at the station' and we are getting really good at all the words.

We are going to make a new display and need your help. If you go away (anywhere) this summer please can you send us a postcard so we can add it on to the display! - ARK Alpha nursery, Somers Road, Portsmouth, PO5 4LS, thank you.

We are also about to start a 'home zebra' which is a teddy that we will be sending home with a diary, when you get the zebra please keep the journal of his adventures - more information to follow.





Leopards.

The leopard children have been busy bees this month making lots of surprises! They have also really enjoyed painting with a variety of natural resources like leaves and sticks.

The story of the month is 'Daddy little star' and the song of the month is 'Twinkle, Twinkle chocolate bar'.

The role play area this month is a camp site, so if you have any photos of your family camping these would be fantastic to put up in this area.

Our colour this month is pink, we are focusing on the number 9 and the shape square.

Giraffe.

Reminder that it is sports day for the giraffes this Thursday 18th 1-330 and parents evening is being held next week on Monday and Tuesday so please make sure you have booked a time slot with your child's key person.

Good luck to all the children who are starting their transition visits in to school. Please can you let the nursery know any days that your child will either be late in or not in. Thank you.

There is a list to be completed in the giraffe room letting us know which school you child got into and when their last day will be. We will use this to try and support friendships between the children who are going to the same school.

Our story of the month is 'fix it duck' and the song of the month is 'Twinkle, Twinkle Traffic Light', the words can be found on the parents board in the room.



Wish list!

- Books suitable for children aged 3-5
- Outside play equipment
- Old pots, pans and utensils for our mud kitchen

Summer Fayre

We would like to invite you all to our Summer Fayre, which is on the 24th July from 1:30-3:30pm.

This year we will be having stalls, so if you or anyone you know would like to run a stall please come and speak to the nursery management team, we will be asking for a £10 donation per table.

Front door

Thank you for your patience when it comes to us answering the door. We all have busy roles and do our best to get there as fast as possible. Unfortunately, sometimes there may be a slight delay in us letting you in.

Lunch pots

Please can you collect lunch pots/tubs from the box by the front door each day. We will throw away any that have been left on the 24th July, thank you.

Nursery dates

17th July - last day for all funded children

21st July - Last day for term time only children

2nd September - new term starts for all children

Warmer weather

Please ensure you provide your child with weather appropriate clothes including a sun hat, as we do go outside in all weathers. All items must be clearly named.

Sun cream

The nursery will again be providing sun cream to use on the children when playing outside. We use a factor 30 and 50 so please let staff know your preference, but please can we remind you that your child should come to nursery with sun cream already applied and we will top it up during the sessions. We thank you in advance for your co-operation in the matter.

Buggy shed - Reminder

Please ensure you collapse your child's buggy each day. We have cleared the buggy shed and put in some shelving to help create more space. Please do not leave them in the nursery hallway as they would be a hazard if we had to evacuate in an emergency.

Labelling food

When dropping off food/lunch bags to the kitchen please ensure it is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Collection and dropping off times.

Please can we request that you keep to your booked nursery times. We only staff for the children that we have booked in, so collecting children late means staff are late going home or having their breaks. If this continues, late charges will be issued! We are aware that unforeseen circumstances can cause lateness so, please call the nursery to advise them of this.

The nursery is almost full.

Please be aware that the nursery is almost at its maximum capacity, so extra sessions and swaps will now be limited. Spaces for September this year and January 2016 starts are also limited.

If you know of any friends/family members who are planning to join the nursery either this year or next, we would encourage them to get their registration forms completed and returned as soon as possible to secure their space and avoid disappointment.

Extra sessions during the holidays.

If you would like to book any extra sessions throughout the holidays, please come to the office and we can book it in for you.

Fees:

Full days (7:30-18:00) £44

School day (8:30-3:30) £31

AM/PM (9am - 1pm or 1pm to 5pm) £19

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