

Alexandra Nursery School and
Under Three's Centre
NEWSLETTER April 2010



Diary dates

April 12th – 23rd parent consultation meetings →

April 16th – governors and staff curriculum team meeting

April 17th- family photo sessions- see over the page

April 19th- governors finance committee meeting

April 22nd- Spud and Yam in the over three's building- see below

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April 23rd – governors and staff curriculum team meeting

April 24th - staff at conference in Manchester

April 26th- governors learning and development committee meeting

Advance notice

May 4th bank holiday - Both centres will be closed

May 8th for staff training - Both centres will be closed

Parent consultations

All parents/carers should have received a letter asking them to book an appointment to talk to their child's key person.

Please speak to staff if you have not had this letter.



Staff news

• Miss Sumiya Patel
Will be leaving the under threes centre on April 20th – she has decided to move on.

We wish her good luck for the future

• Mrs Farhana Master
will be a permanent member of staff from April 2010

Spud and yam....

Are a music duo – Spud is Kate, an Irish singer and storyteller .Yam is Winston, a musician from Jamaica

Spud and Yam will spend a day in each building working with children and staff on singing, dancing, movement and storytelling.

There is no extra charge for this . The school budget pays for them to come so we can offer extra curricular activities for all children. If your child does not come on the days they are here then please talk to your child's key person about coming in with your child or bringing them for an extra session.

Please don't send your child to our centres with food or sweets.

We recently found a child giving food from a bag to other children

We have to be very careful that children are not given food that makes them ill or goes against religious beliefs. There are children in our centres who are allergic to milk and so we make sure they don't eat chocolate

If your child has food in their bag please tell a member of staff and we can put it somewhere where the food is safe and other children cannot get it.

Angels needed

the costumes we use for the angels in our nativity play at Christmas are looking tatty
Some of our parents made them about 10 years ago !!
Could you please make us a new one ready for next year – ask Mrs Kenny for a template

Where are the wellies?

In the February newsletter I asked if parents would bring us old wellies or donate a new pair so that children can wear them to play outside.
I only got two pairs . Please think about bringing us a pair – we need ones for all the children aged 1 year to 5 years.



The weather is getting better and all children will be going outside as much as possible. Outdoor play is an important part of our curriculum and we have recently spent a lot of money updating the garden at the under threes centre.
During May we will be having a new climbing frame and football shooting range added to replace the old equipment. Children's physical development is important for healthy brain growth and learning.
The garden at the under threes centre is going to be refurbished with money used from a grant. Please come and look at our gardens.
This month we will be planting seeds, potatoes and summer bulbs so that children can see where their food comes from and how it grows.

Family portraits

Astphoto will be in the school building on **Saturday April 17th** to take family portraits between 9.30 and 3.30

Parents can book a session which lasts 20 minutes

Each session costs £20 and you get one photo for this price

You will be shown a selection of photos to purchase

Please book with payment of £20 at the school or under three's office. Tel 01204 32678 for times available

There are only 18 sessions and will be booked on a first come first served basis

Thank you to parents who make comments about this newsletter . I hope the changes are helpful

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The lunch menus will change from April 12th . Details can be found on the parents notice boards and the daily sheets