

Alexandra Nursery School and Under Three's Centre
NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2008

Half term holiday

Education provision in the school is closed from 4 o'clock on Thursday 23rd October and reopens on Monday 3rd November

Daycare provision is **not closed- both buildings are open as usual.**

There will be Holiday club in the school building during half term holiday from Monday 27th – Friday 31st October. This for children aged 3-8 years old. Please ask in the school office if you would like to book a place.

The photographer will be in the nursery school building on Tuesday 16th October to take individual photographs of all the children. Parents do not need to stay as it will take all session to have all the children's photos taken. If you want your child to wear special clothes then give them to your child's key person who will change them.

We will take photos with younger brothers and sisters at the beginning of each session

You will be able to see the photos before you pay – you will get a sample and a price list You can choose which you want to order. If you don't want your child to be photographed at all please tell Mrs Allen or Mr Elcoat

Your child must be in the back seat of your car on a booster seat and fastened in with a seat belt- it is against the law for children to be in the front seat or not to be strapped in- the community police officers are making regular check s and will fine parents who do not comply with the law. Please keep your child safe and follow the law.

You will be given a leaflet with this newsletter for ordering fluorescent jackets for children. Please return this with the money to the school office or under three's manager

Eid Mubarak



Playing outside is good for children. We make sure all children go outside every day unless the weather is really bad. Our curriculum from the government says that.....

"being outdoors has a positive impact on children's sense of well being and helps all aspects of children's development"

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE 2008

Please make sure your child has a coat and good shoes. Being outside will help children to stay well and not get colds- please see the leaflet "how to have a healthy child" in your pack

We hope all our Muslim families had a nice Eid Thank you for the presents

please write any comments in this box and put in the envelope on the parents notice board

What experiences will your child be having this month?

Under three's

Developing fine motor skills

Threading foam wotsits, pumpkin seeds

Leaves and petals

Cutting- play dough leaves paper

Construction and small world- farm animals mosque bricks train set dinosaurs

Sensory – smelling tubs steaming flannels

Treasure baskets- soft hard smooth rough natural objects – leaves twigs wood textured balls

Tasting fruit and vegetables

Books and dtires about food

Music and movement- making caterpillars with sleeping bags – singing wiggly woo song swirling with ribbons

Outdoor – balancing planks wheeled vehicles and bikes ball pool bubbles kites parachute water guns and paper targets

MESSY PLAY- coloured sand compost custard cocked spaghetti

Manipulative- autumn things clay – small sculptures gloop shaving foam and glitter coloured ice mud pies

Sand – with leaves, gloves and bags, sieves

Water – washing dolls with soapy water boats and sea creatures ice

Mark making- painting glitter paint potato printing painting with feathers, lolly sticks, leaves

Glue- eid cards sticking fabric sawdust pictures sluing string and paper using recycled boxes

Over three's

Developing fine motor skills-

Threading beads buttons pasta leaves cards with holes, making garlands and necklaces

Manipulative- bean feast mashed potato ice

Physical play-balancing crawling climbing

Ball play- throwing into containers

Playing ring games Riding bikes scooters with trailers

balloons throwing catching balancing on head nose hand

activities in the sensory room- fairy lights lava lamps bubble machines aromatherapy oils magnets

Outdoor classroom – looking at leaves bird watching and drawing

Painting-printing with leaves, bricks, sponges

Gluing- dried flowers fabric autumn canvas- leaves cones twigs

Role play – wood work bench pirate ship, fairy clothes superman Spiderman and action man, grandmothers house, garages /mechanics workshop

Small world – fire station fire engines dolls house is a pet place natural materials connected to autumn- pebbles conkers cones leaves twigs

Science and investigation – mini beasts shiny things, planting bulbs, smelly bags dissolving

Baking – pizza biscuits making snacks – fruit kebabs cakes sandwiches

Themes this month – firemen pirates autumn

We will be taking small groups of children from the over three's building out on educational visits throughout the year.

The first visit will be to the science museum in Manchester for children in the square group on October 22nd

You will be given a separate letter if your child is going

This is a selection of our planned experiences

- see the plans on the notice boards for more details or ask a member of staff for more information

Can parents paying for daycare please try to bring the correct money when paying. All money is banked and we do not keep change in either building.

YOU CAN FIND OUT MORE ABOUT HOW WE WORK WITH YOUR CHILD BY READING THE LEAFLETS IN THE PACK YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN