



## Robin Hill Nursery Newsletter

May 2014

### Collection of Children

There are an increasing number of occasions when un-registered persons are collecting children (un-registered means that the person does not have fingerprint access). Whilst these persons often have the family password to give to staff, we are not always made aware that they are collecting.

Please could you inform the nursery if an un-registered person is dropping your child to Robin Hill, or collecting your child (as well as providing the family password).

This enables practitioners to be a little more prepared in relation to the collection of children and gives them prior warning to check your family password before the person arrives so that they do not keep them waiting. It also means that we are absolutely sure that the person has been given permission to use the family password on that particular day.

Thank you.



### Late Collections/Early Arrivals

There are still occasions where children are being dropped off to nursery early and collected late. Please ensure you drop/collect your child to and from nursery at their registered times.

If you would like to amend your child's start or finish times, please make a request to do so in writing and we will be able to check the availability for you.



### EYEE Funded Sessions

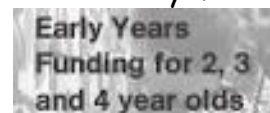
Please remember that our 'funded' hours are:

**Morning Session:** 09:30 - 12:30

**Afternoon Session:** 13:30 - 16:30

If you wish to claim a morning or afternoon session as funded, your child must attend for the above times. For example; you are not able to claim a funded afternoon session if you collect your child at 15:30.

Please also remember that funding is only provided during term time, not in the school holidays.



### Dates for your diaries

**Last Day of Term:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May **New Term starts:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

**May Break:** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May inclusive

**Nursery Closed:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May and Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May (Bank holidays)

**PLEASE NOTE:** if your child is term time only, they will not be registered to return to Robin Hill until the start date of the new term. Term dates can be found on the parent's notice board, or online at [www.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schools/termdates](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schools/termdates)



## Warmer Weather

As the weather is warming up it is time to consider sun protection lotion and sunhats. Please provide your child with sun lotion and a sun hat clearly labeled with their full name.

Please note: the nursery does **not** supply sun lotion (as stated on the permissions form issued during the registration process) so it is vital that your child brings this to nursery in order to play outside. It is also extremely helpful if you could apply your child's sun lotion before they attend nursery which helps if they go straight outside to play.

A message to the Butterfly Parents: Kate has a number of sun lotion bottles that came upstairs with the children when they moved in September. Unfortunately there is no way of telling how long the bottles of sun lotion have been open. Please liaise with Kate regarding your child's remaining sun lotion to ensure it has not passed its shelf life.

Thank you.



Please write your child's full name on sunhats and sun lotion as some children share the same initials

## Our New Mud Kitchen!

This is our new mud kitchen! This simple play area provides endless fun and opportunities for the children. The mud provides a connection to the natural world and various creatures within it. Mud creates a fantastic sensory experience for children - it can be experimented with when it is wet, dry, clumpy, rough or smooth. Children are encouraged to be creative with mud, using their imagination to pretend it is something else, i.e. a wonderful cake or pie!

A mud kitchen encourages all areas of learning within one activity. We look forward to hearing the children's comments in response to the mud kitchen and observing them during their play. We are still adding to our mud kitchen so if you have any kitchen utensils that you no longer want; please consider donating them, thank you.



## Employee of the Month

The employee of the month award for this month will be awarded on 7<sup>th</sup> May!



## May Holiday

If you wish to book your child out for the May mid-term holiday (Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May), please remember to put this in writing by **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May** to ensure you get your holiday rebate.

