



# Newsletter

July 2014

*A healthy opening to education, open hearts and open minds at Chelsea Open Air Nursery*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter for this academic year, at a time where we are preparing many of the children for their move onto reception and others for their long summer break, ready to return next term as the oldest in the class.

The year has been a wonderful journey for all of the children, from their first days in September, where they all settled in so well and were soon making fantastic progress, to now, just 11 months on, but what a difference. All of the children have grown and matured over the year and are now ready for the next step in their learning journey, making us all very proud.

*It is time to say goodbye  
As our year has come to an end.  
We've all made more cherished memories  
And many new friends.*

*I've watched your children learn and grow  
And change from day to day  
I hope that all the things they've learnt  
Have helped in some small way.*

*So it's dream with the happy memories  
As they go outside the door  
With great hope and expectations  
For what the future holds in store.*

## **Thank you...**

I would like to thank all of the families who have made this year so special; with your support we have been able to have some amazing celebrations, including the Christmas Lights, Carers Fortnight and Open Day. Thank you to everyone who supported these events by volunteering their time, selling raffle tickets, getting donations for prizes, making scrummy food or helping out on a stall at Open Day. I would also like to say a big thank you to Bridget and Nicola who worked with the children to create a wonderful art work to celebrate the year, which many of you have brought prints of to keep as a memento of the year.

I would also like to thank everyone who has been collecting vouchers for the Sainsbury's Active Kids programme; we collected a staggering 1,984 vouchers! These will be used to update some of our garden equipment, THANK YOU!

## **Open Day and Raffle Prizes**

The Open Day was a huge success raising a total of £1214.66, thank you for making the day so special. There are still a number of unclaimed raffle prizes, please check the parents' board inside the main door to see if you are a winner!

## Still to come...

The year may be coming to an end, but there are still special events to look forward to. On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July the children are all invited to a Teddy Bears Picnic, the children can bring along their favourite teddy bear and a contribution towards the picnic lunch, spending the whole day with us, 0900 to 1530. The day will be filled with special surprises to delight and entertain.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> July all parents are invited to our Leavers Sharing at 10am. This is a special event where we mark the end of a wonderful year with songs and celebration. We would be delighted for all parents to come along to this special event.

## Wave Goodbye

As well as many of the children leaving us at the end of term we will also be saying goodbye to two members of our team, Rebecca who is one of our Learning Partners and Anna who is our Part Time Teacher. I wish both of them the best of luck in their new roles; they have been fantastic members of our team and will be greatly missed.

## Holiday Club: SPECIAL OFFER!

The COA Summer Holiday Club will be starting on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July, running for five weeks until Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August. We have a special offer for children who attend the nursery and their siblings, of just **£35 per day, a £5 saving!** (normally £40 per day) Please contact the office or visit our website to book your child's place.

## Our Caterers

We have been working closely with Christ Church Primary School (the providers of our school dinners) in the appointment of new caterers; the new chefs plan to be very green, using local seasonal produce and transporting it to us by bike! They are looking for a sponsor for the bike, if you know of any one or if you would like to sponsor the bike please contact Katie.

**Sponsorship Opportunity**

Do you know anyone who might be interested in sponsoring the Christ Church School cargo bike?

The bike will be used by the school to transport food in an environmentally friendly way.

It can be branded with the sponsor's logo.

**COST £2,000**



Please contact  
Katie with any leads  
07960 588201

### Dates for your diary:

**Teddy Bears Picnic:** Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> July, all children invited to attend all day

**Leavers Sharing:** Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> July from 10am, all parents are welcome, all children to arrive at 9am

**Last Day of Term:** Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> July

All children arrive at 9am; School will finish at 11.30 for part time and 1pm for full time children

**Summer Holiday Club:** 28<sup>th</sup> July to 29<sup>th</sup> August 9am – 4pm

**Dad's Group:** 2<sup>nd</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> September from 10am – 12pm

Warm regards,  
Julie and the COA Team