

WOODSTOCK DAY NURSERY

February 2008

NEW FEES - PLEASE READ

New fees lists have been printed and put in every child's swing file. Unfortunately I have made an error in that I forgot to adjust the WEEKLY rates for the funded children. All the rates in the first 3 columns are correct as are the rates shown per full day or part day for the funded children. The only errors are for children over 3 years of age attending 5 days per week. The new rates are as follows -

Funded children attending full

time: £133.20 per week

Funded children attending

mornings 5 days per week:

£60.70 per week

Funded children attending

afternoons 5 days per week:

£48.20 per week

This does not affect many families but please accept my apologies for any inconvenience caused by this error.

Parents Evening

Have you collected your invitation from your swing file?

This is an Annual Event and is an opportunity for you to come and chat to your child's Keyworker about their development and friendship group. It is a strictly **NO CHILDREN** evening, so book the babysitter and come and try out some of the activities, enjoy some refreshments with us and meet the parents of your children's friends.

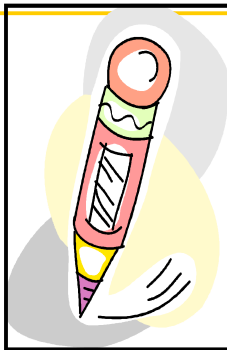
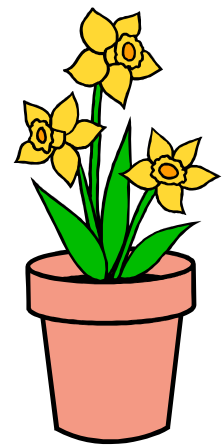


Buggy Storage

More and more families are walking to Woodstock with their children and wanting to leave their buggies here whilst they go to work. Our present plastic storage unit no longer meets our needs and so I have arranged for a purpose built shed to be



installed on the south side of Woodstock. Weather permitting, it will arrive on Tuesday, 4th March and will be ready for use within a couple of days. The padlock will be the same number as at present. Please ensure that you fold your buggy up as small as possible. Thank you



Is YOUR child off to school this year?

We now know which schools the majority of our school leavers will be going to this next academic year and I will be sharing this information with you in the next week or so. When the school asks about your child's friends, it may be useful to know if any other children from Woodstock could be included in that list.

After discussions with several Reception teachers I will be letting you have a list of suggestions to help to prepare your child for this major change

in their life. From their past experience, the teachers have told us the most important things that will help them to settle your child confidently into school.

Emergency Contact Forms

This is a very important form and it is essential that the details are kept up-to-date at all times. If you have moved, changed your job or your mobile number since your child started at Woodstock, have you also told us? If in any doubt, please ask for a new form from the office.

Recently, we have had difficulty contacting the parents of a sick child as all their numbers had changed.

Please do not leave us having to take decisions about your child's care without being able to speak to you first.



Woodstock Day Nursery are entering a team of 11 to run, walk or jog their way around the 5K course. We will be fundraising

as a group. We are still waiting for sponsor forms to arrive but if you wish to donate online you can. Please follow the link below to our sponsor page www.raceforlifespansome.org/woodstockdaynursery All money raised through this will go straight to the Race for Life Charity. If you would like to come and support us we will be at Worthing Rugby Club on Sunday 20th July. The Race starts at 11.00am. Further information will be put on the Notice Board in the hall.



Car Park

As you know, Woodstock is situated in a restricted parking area which prevents our staff from leaving their cars on the road during their working hours. We can park 6 cars in the car park meeting our present needs. The majority of children arrive at nursery outside the restricted hours of 10am to 11am and 2pm to 3pm, so it is not necessary for parents with cars to actually drive into the car park or even park across the pavement. Unfortunately we have had some damage to staff cars where doors have been opened into them and even complaints from the general public as they cannot use the public pavements as a car has parked right across the path. Could we ask you to limit your use of the car park if you are only bringing one child to nursery? Please park with consideration for the general public at all times and with extreme care if you really do need to park on the driveway. Thank you.

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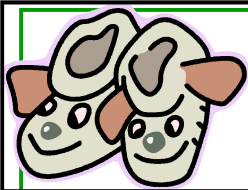


Sainsbury's Active Kids

We are again collecting the above vouchers. Please ask your neighbours, relatives and friends to collect the vouchers for us. We have received some great equipment over the years from Tesco and Sainsburys. We are waiting for 2 bikes and a child size spinning top from our last voucher collection from Tesco.



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Slippers/ Indoor Shoes

It is Woodstock's policy for all children to

have indoor footwear and garden footwear. Ideal footwear for the garden is wellies in the winter and plastic shoes in the summer as both can easily be washed and do not limit play opportunities with water and sand. Indoor footwear should **only be for indoors**. Two main reasons being to prevent heavy shoes causing injuries as the children play and to keep the floors as clean as possible as the children spend so much of their day playing at floor level. Can we ask for your co-operation to change your child's footwear immediately upon arrival at nursery and to store their shoes safely in their bags. This will prevent the shoes being mislaid and stop outdoor footwear from being worn in the playrooms. We are planning to change the playroom carpets before the end of the year and it would be nice to know that new flooring will remain clean with your co-operation.



Whole Nursery Outing

We are planning a trip to Fishers Farm on Tuesday, 17th June. This day will be open to any child in the nursery who can be accompanied by a parent or another responsible adult. If you are unable to take the time off work, our own staff can accompany children over the age of 3 years. We are hoping that parents will be happy to use their own cars for transport and perhaps offer a lift to another parent and child (or nursery staff and child) without a car. The cost of arranging a coach for children this young is prohibitive with the complications of child seats and seat belts. Details of times and costs will follow.



Business Networking

Anne attends the Worthing Business Circle networking group every week on a Wednesday morning for breakfast (a lovely start to the day!) The group consists of about 40 local people running businesses as diverse as builders, accountant, designer, business consultant, letting agent, photographer, solicitor, financial advisor, outside caterer, style consultant, hairdresser, care for the elderly, web designer, HSBC, Northbrook College and of course, childcare! If you run a local business and would like to join us please speak to Anne (it is one business, one category). We are a very friendly, supportive group and have seen many new businesses grow and thrive. Similarly, if you are looking for a service of any description in Worthing, ask Anne as she may be able to recommend a trustworthy company.



Marie Curie Daffodils

Do you remember the planted daffodil bulb you took home before Christmas? We hope that many of you have remembered to water them and now have one or two daffodils to admire. The final stage is for us to collect the sponsorship money. If you have not already done so, would you please bring your contributions into the nursery before Friday 14th March. If you have mislaid the original envelope, don't worry, any envelope will do as long it is clearly marked with Marie Curie. Further details on the board in the hall.

Our Garden

Before the end of May we hope to have made some improvements to the garden. The fruit trees are being pruned now. We intend to widen some of the paths to give the children more room for the bikes and solve the 'muddy dip' that has formed near the back door! There will inevitably be some disruption but it will not stop the children from playing outside.