

Dear Parents,

Happy new year to you all. Welcome back to all returning children and families and a very warm welcome to all our new children and families.

If any of you wish to speak to me please either just pop in or book a time with reception. You do not need to have a particular reason to see me, you may just want a chat. Any reason is fine by me!

We are delighted to welcome Reshma to York Road and Sally F who will start at Hazel Avenue on Monday 15th January.

If you would like any support or advice around family life (such as bedtime routines, toileting, feeding, housing, money etc.) then our children's centre staff are available to help. They can be found on the door most mornings or you could visit them at the drop in sessions 9-10am Wednesdays at Hazel Avenue and Fridays at York Road.

The Children's Centre timetable is in circulation, you will find copies on reception at both Hazel Avenue and York Road sites.

We are lucky to still have Clare Etherington, from the **National Careers Service** visiting the centre once a month. She is next in the centre on Friday 26th January from 10am – 11am and can offer support and guidance for anyone looking for work or wanting to change their career to fit work around family, and she can also provide information about the benefit caps.

We have continued involvement from Farah at Quinn Nobel solicitors. She is available by phone to offer **free legal advice**. Farrah specialises in Family Law and Immigration. Please speak to any member of the team if you wish to use this free service.

We are currently looking for an Outreach worker to join the Children's Centre team. The advertisement is on our website and Facebook page. Please feel free to share it or pass information to anyone who may be interested.

Kind regards

Sally Cave
Head teacher

Dates for your diary:

Spring term:

Week beginning Mon 5th February: parent/Key Person meetings

12th-16th Feb: half term with holiday club

Mon 19th Feb: Centre closed for inset day 3

Thurs 1st March: 5-5.30pm Bedtime stories event

Tues 6th March 2.30-3.30pm and Thurs 8th March 9-10am: Everybody read together, parents invited

Fri 23rd March: sports day, parents invited

Thurs 29th March 9-12: Easter party with egg hunt. Term ends at 12pm. No afternoon nursery or tea club

3rd-6th April and 9th-13th April: Easter holidays with holiday club

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