

Dear Parents and Carers,

Nursery School

It was lovely to see so many of you at our **social events** last week. Thank you very much for making the time to come.

A big thank you to **Tapi Carpets**, Ladymead Retail Park, Guildford. They have very kindly donated some carpets for us to use in the nursery school. These are great as they define areas for children such as group times or in the home corner. They have agreed to continue letting us have more on a regular basis as they do look 'used' quite quickly!

Becci Kenning, the artist, will be working at Hazel Avenue next week, please do come and see what she is doing. If you would like to join in with Becci, please book a time with your child's Key Person (this applies to families from York Road as well as Hazel Avenue and children's centre families). You will need to be here for 10am and you can stay for as short a time as you can manage or for as long as two hours. There will be a special photo permission slip to sign.

Our **music specialist, Steve**, is here on the following dates, if you would like to see him work with the children please do stay when you drop off or come 10 minutes early at pick up time:

Thurs 5 Oct: am at York Road (YR), pm at Hazel Avenue (HA)

Tues 10 Oct: am at HA, pm at YR

Thurs 2 Nov: am at YR, pm at HA

Thurs 16 Nov: am at HA, pm at YR

Thurs 30 Nov: am at YR, pm at HA

Thurs 14 Dec: am at HA, pm at YR

Our new website is now live! <http://guildfordnscs.surrey.sch.uk/> Please take a look and let us know what you think.

Children's Centre

Thank you so much to everyone who came along and supported our MacMillan coffee morning. Across both Hazel Avenue and York Road sites we raised **£83.15!** We will be proudly displaying our MacMillan certificate across both sites when it arrives.

Do you need help supporting your school aged child with their English homework? We are running a **FREE** 'Keeping up with the children in English' course. Starting Tuesday 31st October - 28th November from 12.45 – 1.45 at Hazel Avenue site. There are plenty of places available – please let any member of the children's centre team know if you would like to come along.

Our October half term timetable will be in circulation by 16th October. You will find copies at the front reception or on our website.

Kind regards

Sally Cave
Head teacher

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Dates for your diary:

Week beginning 16th Oct: parent meetings, please sign up with your child's Key Person

Fri 20th Oct: Nursery and Centre closed for inset day 1

23rd-27th Oct: half term holiday with holiday club

7th Nov 9-10am and 9th Nov 2.30-3.30pm: Everybody count together, parents invited

Friday 10th November 1-3pm at Hazel Avenue: Come and find out about your child's play patterns

Weds 15th November 9.30am: workshop for parents applying for a primary school place at Hazel Avenue for parents of both sites

Fri 24th Nov: Nursery and Centre closed for inset day 2

1st Dec 2.30pm and 4th Dec 9am: decorate the Christmas tree, parents invited

Weds 13th December, 4.30pm: family nativity at St John's Church, Stoke for all the family

Thursday 14 December: Christmas lunch for all children and staff

Fri 15th Dec: Christmas jumper day

20 Dec 11.30am and 2.45pm: Christmas sing along, parents invited

21 Dec 9-12: Christmas party for all nursery children, staff and Santa! Parent volunteers, hopefully! Nursery term ends at 12pm for all, no afternoon nursery or tea club

22nd Dec-3rd Jan inclusive: no nursery and no holiday club