

Our Nursery Newsletter June 2009



Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone that has given us their old mobile phone for the RMHC.

Thank you also for the cash donation we have received. We will be continuing to collect the mobile for a few months. Thank you again for all your support.

School Leavers Reminder

We're getting near the time of year when we have to think about saying a sad goodbye to all our school leavers. Some children have left already and we wish them well. We are going to be wishing other children all the best over the next couple of months.

Please could we remind you to let us know in writing when your child will be leaving Pennies? Please can you let us know by end of June?

Thank you ☺

Photographer

Richard Bass will be in the nursery taking photos on Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th and Monday 29th June from 9.30a.m.

He will be taking photos of the children while they are playing.

If you would like to know any other information about this or would not like a picture of your child taken please talk to your child's key person.

Students

We have five students visiting us as part of a New Local Authority Training Programme.

They will be visiting the Pre School Room on Tuesday 30th June from 8.30 – 12/1.00 p.m.

They will be looking at the activities and resources available for 3-5 year old. If you have any questions about this please feel free to talk to one of the Pre School staff.

Birthday chairs

Thank you to Nicola who has made two lovely birthday chair covers for the nursery.

These will be used to help celebrate your child's birthday. On the child's birthday they will have their own special birthday chair to use for the day.

If you would like to bring in anything to help make your child's birthday special please talk to their key person.

Welcome back Trudi

We would like to welcome Trudi back to the Nursery. We are all glad to see you back.

Trudi would like to say thank you to all the staff for all their hard work over the last 6 weeks.

PENNIES NEW WEBSITE

Pennies brand new website is now live.

Please take a look and let us know what you think.

You can find it @ www.pennies.co.uk

Employee of the month



Nicola

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Congratulations to Nicola who wins Employee of the month for June.

Nicola works in the Baby care and has been nominated for all her hard work. Nicola has spent her spare time out of work making two lovely birthday chair covers.

WELL DONE NICOLA!

New Starters & Leavers

We say a sad farewell to Katie who works in Little Pennies. She will be leaving us at the end of the month to go traveling in Australia.

We wish her all the best and hope she comes back to see us soon.

We also say Good bye and good luck to Tracy in Pre School who has left us to have her baby - due September. We wish her all the best.

Lucie will be taking over as Room Leader.

We would like to welcome a new face to the Pennies team, Stacey Ring.

Stacey is level 3 and will be joining us as a full time member of staff, taking over from Katie in Little Pennies.

Staff training

Staff Training – The team at Pennies are always completing training courses to keep up to date with all the new practices.

Following the completion of a degree in Early Years Management, (graduation on 14th July) Trudi is currently working towards the 'EYPS' – Early Years Professional Status. Congratulations!

Some of the staff will be completing computer base training out of work.

- ◆ Lea will be studying Equality – Diversity
- ◆ Amanda will be studying Exercise and Nutrition
- ◆ Gayle and Chloe will be studying Health and safety and
- ◆ Emma will be studying Healthy Eating.

Award Certificate

Trudi will be attending a reception and celebration dinner for outstanding headteachers and managers of early years settings, hosted by the chairman of the Kent County Council on Tuesday 16th June.

Look out for the award certificate which will be on display on the parent notice board.

Polite notice

Please can all parents be patient at lunch times if dropping off or picking up, a member of staff will be with you as soon as they can.

Please can all children have a named sun hat?

Recipe of the month

Each month we will be giving you a recipe from the Pennies menu to try at home.

This month Marie has chosen it, but if you feel there is one you would like to try feel free to pop a request in the comment box for next month.

Spaghetti Bolognese

- 750 gms lean minced steak
 - 2 medium diced onions
 - 400 gms chopped tomatoes
 - 4 tbs tomato puree
 - 1 tsp white pepper
 - 1 crushed clove garlic
 - 1 large handful fresh basil
 - 1 dessert spoon dried rosemary
 - 1 tbs of sugar
 - 2 Knorr veg. stock cubes – made to 1 pint stock
 - 300 gm dry spaghetti/pasta
1. Dry fry beef
 2. Drain, leaving a small amount in the pan
 3. Set aside the beef
 4. Fry onions in the liquid until cooked
 5. Add the beef to the onions along with the chopped tomato, tomato puree, garlic, herbs, sugar and seasoning
 6. Add stock cubes and leave to cook for about an hour.

Heart of Kent

Every year Pennies Nursery raises money for the Heart of Kent Hospice.

This year we are having a fete week to be held at each nursery.

During the week of the 29th each room at Hockers will be putting on a fun day for the children in that room.

Please look out for posters over the next week giving you the details of what your child's room will be doing in order to raise money for the charity.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Pennies Children's Clothing

Pennies will be launching a new range of clothing by holding a Pennies fashion show. Look out for our new range.

