

Welcome to the November newsletter and also a new manager. I have had a very warm welcome from all the staff, parents and children since stepping into the office. I am beginning to learn the busy routine of the nursery, please bear with me whilst I learn all yours and your children's names.

We hope to produce monthly newsletters to inform parents of what is going on in the Nursery and in individual rooms, please take time to read this newsletter and please feel free to drop in to see me to have a chat. Best wishes

Lorna Robinson



A BIG Sunnydays WELCOME to all our new starters – we hope you all enjoy your time with us. Any queries, however small, please talk to your room supervisor or pop in to see Lorna in the office.

HELP – Do you have any clean cardboard boxes, tubes, pots and tubs etc. lying about awaiting recycling? Or any fabric remnants? Please can you spare some as all our rooms enjoy junk modelling and we're running short of suitable items in the cupboard! Thanks!

What is going on in Toddlers? The toddler room would like to welcome **Jess M** as their new member of staff. Jess has previously been working in preschool so has loads of experience to offer.

We are now completing our transport topic and our topics for November and December are Bonfire Night and Christmas with a visit planned to see the displays at Poundbury Garden Centre.

News from The Baby Unit – We have been experiencing a baby boom with many new little faces joining us. As such we've had to increase our staffing levels and some days we now use all four rooms. The team would like to welcome Charlene to the Baby 2 room to join Jo, Lindsey, Becky, Laura and our lovely Tuesday volunteer Janet. The Baby 4 team is now Clare, Michelle, Kerry, Sara and Olivia.

WELLIES – can all parents with children in TODDLERS or PRESCHOOL please ensure that your child has a pair of wellies, a suitable coat and a change of clothes at nursery so that they can use our fantastic outside space to its full during the Autumn and Winter months.



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Introducing...

LORNA ROBINSON

Would you like to introduce yourself?

Hello, I'm Lorna and I'm the new manager at SunnyDays Dorchester. I'm married with two grown up children.



What's your background?

I have an NNEB qualification and 28 years experience in childcare ranging from being a nanny, to working at nurseries and special schools. My most recent post was working with 16+ students as a placement officer.

I have just completed my level 4 CT/LLS (Certificate in Teaching in the Lifelong Learning Sector) – which was challenging but really enjoyable.

What do you enjoy doing outside work?

I enjoy spending time with my family and cooking. I also love going to the theatre and to travel when I get the chance.

What is going on in Pre-school?

Pre-school would like to welcome our new member of staff, Sarah from Toddlers and say goodbye to Jess.

Pre-school have been busy so far this term with a visit to Poundbury Garden Centre to see the Christmas displays and trips out to Thorncombe Woods and to the play park. We've also been visited by a large LIVE lobster and a very big blue tractor.

Our topics for the next few weeks will be Fireworks and then Christmas.



CHILDREN IN NEED – Parent volunteers needed for November 20th please. The theme is 'Around the World' and there will be lots of activities on the day and a cake sale. Cakes wanted too!

***Staff News** – Congratulations to all staff who won awards at the SunnyDays Awards. A special mention must go to **Michelle Walden** from Baby 4 for winning the '**A Unique Child**' award Evening.



Michelle was praised for her outstanding contribution and as one parent said:-

"She's bright, bubbly and clearly loves children and caring for them. Michelle is also very knowledgeable about parenting. She always shows respect towards children and treats my son as an individual, with a mind of his own."



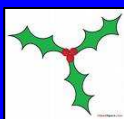
CHRISTMAS PARTIES in the PLAYLOFT – All parents, carers and children welcome.

Babies – Saturday 5th Dec - 11am – 1pm - All Babies and parents welcome.

Toddlers – Saturday 12th Dec – times tbc

Preschool – Saturday 19th Dec – times tbc

Playclub – Are planning a grand Xmas outing - tbc.



Also a BIG well done to the following staff for gaining qualifications:- NVQ Level 3 – Children's Care, Learning & Development – **Stacey Rotchell** in preschool, **Kerry Hansford** and **Michelle Walden** in Babies.

Also to **Lauren Diaper** and **Ruth Blackaller** in the CAT team for getting their NVQ levels 3 and 4 respectively in Business and Administration.

Situation Vacant - We are looking for a cleaner - 2 hours per day - to start as soon as possible in the nursery. Anyone interested should contact Lorna.

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