



Wise Owl

Private Day Nursery

December 2010 Newsletter

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Wise Owl Welcomes New Nursery Manager

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Nursery is proud to
introduce you all to our
new Nursery Manager,



Trudy Surman-Roper. We are very excited to be working with Trudy as she has extensive knowledge and experience that will greatly contribute to the continuing success of the nursery. Here are a few words from Trudy: "I came from a service family, my father was in the RAF and when I was a child we moved quite frequently. I worked in London after leaving school as a nanny, and then enjoyed a few years of management experience with EMI records and returning to South Wiltshire working as a funeral director manager for several years. Studying for a degree had been a lifelong aspiration thanks to Winchester University it was the case of better late than never. After a seven year period I achieved degrees in Childcare studies, B.A. Primary practice and Religious studies. I never dreamt that one day my career would



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bring me back to Durrington. I lived in the village for 2 years when my daughter went to the infant school. Since then I have worked in Early Years, Primary and Secondary settings in South Wiltshire and so I have been fortunate enough to have gathered a wealth of experience. My daughter goes to school in Amesbury and my family now live in Salisbury. My vision is to create an exciting safe environment where children learn to become happy and fulfilled individuals. The early years is a period of once in a life time opportunity. We appear to develop curiosity, interest and awareness of the wider world. We expect children learning in our nursery to move confidently and securely into infant school to become lifelong learners".

We have also promoted one of our nursery nurses, Lynsey Hart, not only from senior baby room leader but also Deputy Manager. She is also really excited and hopes to bring some fresh ideas to the forefront. Lynsey has been with the Nursery for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years and specialises in developmental areas of babies so has some exciting activities in store.

Together Trudy and Lynsey have a vast experience and some fantastic plans to improve the nursery. For example, they are planning an event calendar detailing all the fundraising activities and community events that the nursery will be undertaking in 2011.



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We would also like to say a great big thank you to Sarah Ronning for all her achievements whilst at the nursery and for being a brilliant Deputy and a good friend to all of the children and staff.



Wise Owl Birthdays

Ethan - 3.12.07 - 3 years old

Aiden - 2.12.08 - 2 years old

Leo - 21.12.08 - 2 years old

Joshua - 11.12.08 - 2 years old

Nursery Mobile

Just a reminder to the parents who are unsure of the nursery mobile number.

If you need to get in contact out of hours then please call the following number: **07590452634**

Parent Fundraising Committee

We are offering parents and carers the opportunity to have their say by setting up a Parent Fundraising Committee (PFC). This is where parent representatives are invited to attend meetings with nursery management to discuss current issues and ideas on how to raise funding for the children's transport to outings.

For more information or to become a member call Trudy on 01980 655228.



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Help for Parents

The internet can be very helpful for mums and dads to get information, or just to be around like minded people. We recommend you visit netmums. We are also going to turn our Facebook page into a blog containing hints and tips on all aspects of childcare ranging from fun activities to how to change a nappy - add us on www.facebook.com/wiseowlnursery

Review Your Nursery

Choosing a nursery for your child can be a very difficult decision. With your help we would like to make this easier. Wise Owl is registered on a number of childcare review sites. Here you can share your experiences and funny stories about Wise Owl and what makes you like us.

To add a review please log on to:

www.childcare.co.uk or www.netmums.co.uk

Outing Write Ups

We are also publishing write ups of the monthly trips that the children go on so that you can read all about it. This includes quirky stories about what happened on each trip, quotes from the children and staff, and pictures of the activities they were involved in etc. There is already a charming article about the recent trip to Salisbury Cathedral on the website for you to view. These can be found on the website underneath the 'outings' heading.



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Tuck in to Tasty Treats the Healthy Way

Wise owl nursery is planning to gain Healthy Setting Status and as part of this scheme is keen to promote healthy eating. As a result of this we have set up 'Healthy Eating Tuck Shop', that supplies healthy alternatives to sweets and chocolate that child will enjoy just as much. Products range from fresh fruit to yoghurt covered fruit flakes and fruit stars (a full list can be found in the nursery). The idea behind this new facility is that it allows you to purchase healthy treats for your children as a reward for good behaviour or an excellent achievement. For each item taken we ask for a 50p donation, which will contribute towards business improvements such as the children's outings.



Dates for your Diary

Christmas Concert - Friday
17th December 2010

Christmas Party -
Wednesday 22nd December
2010

**Please see a member of
staff for details about
these events**



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