



Autumn Term no. 5
8th October 2012

Montalbo Nursery
Newsletter

Nursery Library

Children really enjoyed choosing their own library book the take home last week

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Feel free to borrow books from Nursery. If you would like to take a book home for a few days, just let one of the members of staff know and they will record the necessary details.

Story telling and looking at books with your children at this age gives them valuable pre-reading skills.

School Admissions September 2013.

If your child is due to start school in September 2013 you should have already received a card explaining the procedure of applying for a school place. The application now has to be filled in online on the council's website by January 2013:

www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you do not have access to a computer you may obtain an application form directly from County Hall.

Remember even if you already have older brothers and sisters in school you need to fill in an application form.

If you are considering applying to Montalbo Primary School please contact Mrs Bainbridge, the head teacher, who will be delighted to give you a full tour of the school.

School tel: 01833 637718

or email montalbo@durhamlearning.net

for all your queries.

'Show and tell' time happens every Monday. Your child is welcome to bring in one object to chat about. Items are kept safe in our treasure box before and after show and tell time. Please remember to collect your items at the end of the day.

Montalbo Extra Payments

As the office is unable to keep a large amount of change, please can you ensure you send the correct payment? Any extra money will be credited to your account and carried over to the next week.

Book People

You may have noticed the books, gifts, toys etc... on sale in the boxes in nursery entrance. If you would like to place an order, please fill in the correct order form and pay money to nursery staff.

Goods will be delivered according to dates on the forms. If more than ten orders are received, nursery benefits with free gifts.

Spread the word!

We still have some nursery places available! Tell your friends and family all about Montalbo Nursery!

Investigation Area

This week our investigation will be 'Puppets'. If you have any interesting items/objects, drawings, books, photos etc... that relate to this, you are welcome to bring them in to add to the trolley.

Stickers will be given to children who bring something in to add to the investigation table.

Last week we had fun being material detectives – finding and naming different materials both inside nursery and outdoors. We made 'feely' pictures and described how materials can change through the process of baking cakes.

Communication.....

At Montalbo Nursery one of our aims is to build up good relationships with parents/carers as well as with the children. If you have any concerns or queries regarding your child, or there are changes in family circumstance that may have an effect on your child, please feel free to chat to a member of staff at Nursery dropping off times.

If you require more confidentiality ring the school on 01833 67718 and ask to be transferred to Nursery.

Snack money.....

There is a voluntary contribution of £1 per week to pay for snack and other items that are not standard but may be required for some activities e.g. baking ingredients.

Diary Dates



Fri 26th Oct - Break up for Half Term (*one week*)

Thurs 8th Nov - Parent's Evening 4-6pm

Fri 14th Dec - Nursery Xmas Play

Montalbo Extra

Montalbo Extra offers wrap around care through lunch care, breakfast care and after school care. Extra Nursery sessions can also be paid for through Montalbo Extra. Care and sessions can be booked on a regular or a one off basis. So if you fancy going out for the day, or have difficulty picking up or collecting from Nursery, book in for extra care.

Certificate Assembly



Montalbo Nursery certificates were awarded to:
Millie – for settling happily into her new nursery.



Alex – for excellent detective skills while finding different materials around nursery.

Please try to be on time when collecting your child; usual session collection times are 11.45am and 3.30pm, (if you are going to be late please call to inform nursery staff).