



# Spring Term no 2 14<sup>th</sup> January 2013





## Montalbo Nursery Newsletter

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# Castle Visit As part of our castle investigation we intend to extend children's knowledge by exploring Barnard Castle.

We will be walking down to the castle on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January (afternoon) and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January (morning). The idea of two trips is to allow most children attending nursery to take part.

Your child has been given an EV4 Medical/Consent form that will cover all trips in the future. Even if your child is not visiting the castle please can you complete and return the form.



#### Certificates



Nursery
Certificates
were awarded
this week to.....
Karl for
negotiating with
friends to
extend role play
ideas.
Charlotte for
being able to



being able to copy and clap out a rhythm during group time.

If any parents/carers have any special interests, jobs, experiences etc... that you think could be interesting to our children we would love for you to come in and share it with us. Speak to nursery staff for more details.

Please can you ensure that we have an up to date list of contacts and people who may be picking up or dropping off your child at Nursery.

Tip of the week..... Parents are doing a fantastic job at helping their children to write their first names....please remember to encourage children to write in lower case letters and only use a capital letter for the start of a name. Using capital letters in the middle of words can be a habit that is hard to break as children move up through school. 

Can you please make sure that your child has at least one change of clothes on their peg each day please?

Thank you for using the deposit box for payments! You can also use the box for suggestions if you wish.

## **Investigation Area**

This week we will investigate
Castles on the investigation
table. If you have any interesting
items /objects, 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 listening to different fairy tales, playing in our silver castle, re-enacting well known fairy stories and making magic potions in the water.

#### Don't forget:

- £1 per week voluntary snack money
- Show & tell is now on a Thursday
- Nursery Library will lend out books for you to take home.

#### **Diary Dates**

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> - Closing date for application forms for school places.

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> – Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - Spring Half Term Holidays

March 21<sup>st</sup> – Nursery Parents Evening – Pupil Progress March 27<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup> Easter Holidays

May 6<sup>th</sup> – May Day

May 24<sup>th</sup> to June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Summer Half Term Holidays

July 19<sup>th</sup> – Break up for Summer Holidays.

Please check the diary dates section weekly so that vou do not miss out!

### Session Information

If you need to top up your funded hours with extra sessions or additional hours - these can be booked through Montalbo Extra. We also provide quality clubs before and after Nursery to accommodate people who work or just need to extend their daily childcare. Care can be booked on a daily, weekly or permanent basis. You may require extra care if your working week changes, to cover appointments or if you feel that extra sessions may ease the transition from Nursery to School. Attached is a reminder of our reasonable rates. For further information please ask Nursery staff.