



Summer Term no 1
22nd April 2013



Montalbo Nursery Newsletter

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for all your queries.**

Nursery Notices:

- Show and Tell has changed to a Friday to enable children who only attend at the end of the week to take part.
- Photograph day this year is Tuesday 21st May – more information to follow.

Who's who?

Mrs Bainbridge –
Head Teacher and Manager of
Montalbo Extra Childcare
Facility

Mrs Taylor – Foundation Stage
Coordinator and Nursery
Teacher

Miss Mitchell - Nursery
Practitioner

Mrs Eilbeck –Nursery Nurse

Julia Kicks – Childcare
Practitioner at
Breakfast and Monty's After-
school Club

Carrie Collin - Childcare
Practitioner at Monty's After-
school Club

Mrs Ridley - Reception Teacher

Mrs Hauxwell – Secretary for
School and Nursery.

Mrs Lockwood Childcare
Assistant at
Breakfast Club

Mrs Wood Childcare Practitioner
at Monty's After-school Club,
lunch supervisor in Nursery.

Certificates



Montalbo Nursery
Certificates were
awarded to.. Ozzy
for super bug
hunting skills
outside and
correctly naming
each mini-beast.



Charlotte for
settling happily
into her new
Nursery.

Diary Dates

May 6th school closed MAY DAY
bank holiday
May 21st – School and Nursery
photographs
May 24th - school closed for a week.
June 3rd - School reopens
July 19th School closes for summer
holidays

Remember.....

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

Nursery Places

2013 - 2014

There are still

nursery places

available for next

year. So if you know

any two year olds who will be eligible

for Government funded place next

school year, please encourage them to

come and have a look around our

nursery. Just a phone call is

required to let us know you are

visiting.

Word Wall

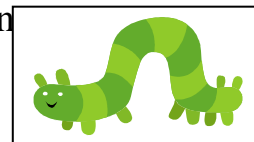
To encourage early reading skills we are going to create a 'Word Wall' in our story corner. The idea is for children to bring in words, logos or names they recognise e.g McDonalds, to put onto our Word Wall. They then show and share with other children their 'reading' skills.

This week we have been

investigating Mini-beasts. We have had great fun searching the garden for mini-beasts, naming them and recording using a chart. Everyone got a bit dirty playing in the compost inside but enjoyed every minute!

There was some lovely creative work carried out including models of caterpillars, observational paintings of flowers and paint colour mixing.

Next week we are continuing our mini beast theme but looking more closely of at Life Cycles using the Very Hungry Caterpillar as an introduction



Sounds & Letters

We are continuing to introduce letter sounds in a fun and informal way.

Last week we introduced the sound 'd' for Rabbits and 'l' for Owls. This week it will be 'g' and 'f'.

Remember that we learn the sound of the letter at this stage rather than the alphabet name.

Owls are also learning to read the letters.

Bug Hotel!

Thank you to everyone who has made contributions towards creating our bug hotel so far.

We are also planning on creating a wildflower area to attract more insects into the garden so if anyone has wild or country garden flowers that we can take cuttings from, they would be gratefully received. The bug hotel is an on-going project so it is not too late to contribute.

Reminders:

- Please ensure that the gate into the Nursery garden is closed securely behind you.
- School is closed a day on Monday 6th May for May Day.
- Please inform Nursery staff if there is somebody different collecting your child
- If your child is ill or not attending nursery for any reason please inform the school before 9.30 if possible.
- If you are running late picking your child up from Nursery please inform us and we will book them into after school care.
- If we do have a heat wave (ha!) please could you ensure that your child comes prepared with a sun hat.
- Please can you ensure children bring in wellie boots (named)