



Summer Term no 4 13th May 2013





Montalbo Nursery Newsletter

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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.

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.

Nursery Notices:

- Please remember to bring in a spare change of clothes -our Nursery supplies are low! If you have any borrowed nursery clothes at home please could they be returned asap.
- Photograph day this year is Tuesday 21st May more information to follow.



Certificates



Montalbo Nursery Certificates were awarded to... Elizabeth for her knowledge of planting and growing.



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May 21st Diary DatesDiary DatesSchool and Nursery photographs

May 23rd – Reception class induction meeting

May 24th - school closed for a week.

June 3rd - School reopens
July 12th - Reception class visit

July 19th School closes for summer holidays

Appeal.....

Our role play area has been changed into a Shoe Shop – has anyone got any empty shoes boxes they can bring in?

As soon as our Ofsted Report is published School Staff & Governors will draw up an Action Plan in order to move the school forward.

You can raise any matters of praise or concern relating to school to Governors who can speak on your behalf if you wish.

All parent views are important & will be taken seriously.

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-remember a problem shared is a problem halved
Do you know who our Governors are?

CHAIR OF GOVERNORS: GRAHAM SHIPMAN

VICE CHAIR: JANE MUTTON

Other GOVERNORS: LISA COLE, JUDI COLLIN, FIONA DRY, NEWTON WOOD, BARBARA HARRISON, LINDA EILBECK, SUSAN RIDLEY

We have vacancies if you feel you have something to offer & want to move school forward.

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This week we have been investigating growing plants & flowers.

We have planted bean seeds and are now waiting for roots to grow; followed instructions to create cress caterpillars; painted flowers; enjoyed playing in a garden centre outside and raced our new remote controls cars.



This week we are investigating pattern.

Sounds & Letters

We are continuing to introduce letter sounds in a fun and informal way. Last week we introduced the sound 'u' for Rabbits and 'j' for Owls. This week it will be 'l' and 'z'. 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.

Reminders:

- Reception class Induction meeting will be held in School at 6pm 23rd May. You should already have received a letter from school.
- Reception class visit is the morning of Friday 12th July –
 please let us know if your child is attending and also if
 they require lunch care or an extra session at nursery
 on that day.
- If your child has had a sickness bug it is a county requirement that they are kept off nursery for 48hrs, after the last time they were sick, to avoid spreading infection.

FOMS are organising a Fundraising Fashion Show at M &Co at the Barnard Castle Store on MONDAY 20th MAY at 6pm. ALL WELCOME

TICKETS COST £2-50 to include wine/juice.

These are available from FOMs members, the shop or from school. Tell your friends and family to come along as we receive a % of evening sales. It will be a good evening!!!!!

If you want to model some of the clothes & strut your stuff on the catwalk please speak to Julie Marshall or Belinda Thompson. Male models are especially required.

OVER RECENT YEARS FRIENDS HAVE PROVIDED MANY EXTRAS

FOR NURSERY & SCHOOL PUPILS WHICH INCLUDE PAYING FOR BUSES TO PANTOS, PROVIDING IPODS & CAMERAS FOR CLASSES, FUNDING PURCHASES OF COOKING UTENSILS, FABRIC & ART CONSUMABLES, TOYS AND GAMES.

They do a fantastic job providing these treats and organising Discos. **SO PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EVENT**. All parents are welcome to help out at FOMs events & can attend any meetings