



Joy Lane Primary School

A Love of Learning, for Life, for All

Oyster Bay Nursery & Oysters SRP (ASD)

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Friday 4th November 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

I welcome you to the new term with wonderful news that 'The Stork' has been very busy and has delivered a baby boy to Miss Lewis and a baby girl to Mrs Crocombe - both mothers and their babies are doing very well. Mrs Godden and Mrs Pound will receive their deliveries in the coming New Year! I am sure that you are as delighted as we are with this lovely news.

Building Works

I am pleased to announce that the building works are progressing well. Foundations have been laid for the new classrooms and the steel structures will be put in place from next Monday taking approximately three weeks to complete. Works on the new exit road from our School will start after the Christmas break which will see the demolition of Ladesfield within the next nine weeks or so. The children have very much enjoyed watching the development of the works and the diggers continue to be a big hit with both adults and children alike! As the weather becomes more inclement we will do our best to keep the amount of mud around the School site to an absolute minimum. Thank you all, once again, for your continued understanding during the improvements to our School site.

Electronic Communications

We have been using a new system to contact you by text and email and it has been brought to my attention that we may have had a glitch at the end of the summer term 2016 and in the first two weeks of September 2016. In particular, you did not receive the information regarding revised charges for our Breakfast and After School Club sessions and lunch money increases; I can only offer my sincere apologies. The system is now working effectively. In addition, we hope to activate our Facebook page shortly – we are going to use this to contact you and it will be used for information sharing only. Please can I ask you to inform us if you change your mobile telephone number or email address, so that we don't miss you out!

Parent/Carer Workshops and Partnership Meetings

I have received a lot of positive feedback from you on how much you liked our new on-line booking system for parent partnership meetings and that you preferred our new timings. We will continue to do this in the future and will make appointments for those of you who cannot access this electronic system.

It was good to see so many of you at our recent parent workshops in Term 1 and I am looking forward to seeing you all once again during the 'classroom workshops', a new format which we hope will give you greater confidence, knowledge and understanding of our Calculation Policy. I am sure that the workshops will enable you to further support your child during home learning.

Date for your Diary

Together with the Senior Leadership Team, I will be holding a coffee morning on Wednesday 30th November between 9am and 10.15am to discuss the ongoing and future developments at Joy Lane. I will send you an invite next week and will ask for questions you may like answered.

I am sending home a copy of Digital Parenting (Issue 5) for your information which will be discussed during our proposed workshops during the week of November 15th.

Yours sincerely

Ms DJ Hines

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