



Oxclose Community Nursery School

NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2012



Dear Parents/Carers

The children have settled down well following the excitement of Christmas and even though the half term has been quite short the children have enjoyed experiencing new activities.

We welcome two new members of staff. Mrs Lillycrop has joined us as the teacher/keyworker for our new January starters in Green Group. Mrs Alison Warren has joined us in Wraparound Care as one of our dinner supervisors.

I hope you have an enjoyable half term break; hopefully the weather will be kind!

Julie Heron
Headteacher

DATES FOR PARENTS TO REMEMBER

SPRING HALF TERM

Last day at school - **Friday 10 Feb**

Return to school - **Monday 20 Feb**

Parents' Days

Mon 26 March: **Blue Group**

Tue 27 March: **Red Group**

Wed 28 March: **Purple Group**

(Time-table lists will be available in the cloakroom after half-term)

CHILDREN'S FUTURE EVENTS

Musical Stories – 20 February

Dr Brendon Renwick is returning to nursery for 5 weeks to introduce the children to more musical experiences.

Marie Curie Mini Pots – 22 February

The children have enjoyed planting the special mini pots and will be taking them home after half term. A small donation would be appreciated to support this charity. Thank you.

World Book Day – Thurs 1 March

The children are invited to come to nursery dressed as their favourite story character.

Chopwell Woods – Thurs 15 March

We have decided to have another visit to Chopwell Woods, this time to explore the Spring Trail.

(more information to follow after half term).

WORLD VISION

The donations collected (**£48**) which bought two scholarships for children in Cambodia and provided a Bolivian family with their own vegetables to grow.

Once again many thanks for your contribution.

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Chinese New Year

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We have recently celebrated Chinese New Year. The children had the opportunity to dress up, explore Chinese objects and even participated in a Chinese dragon dance to celebrate the year of the dragon.



Outdoors

Physical Development

Outdoors the children have been focussing on developing their physical skills. Activities have included balancing on beams, walking on stilts and throwing and catching using bats.

The children have been learning to use one handed tools and understanding that equipment and tools have to be used safely.

