



## **Welcome Back!**

We hope you had a lovely Easter break and are looking forward to the Summer Term. This is a very short half term, only 5 weeks long, so we would really appreciate your help with prompt replies to requests for payments/forms etc. We are closed for a Bank Holiday on Monday (2nd May) and we close for the half term break at 3.10pm on Friday 27th May. We then return on Tuesday 7th June until we close for the Summer holidays at 3.10pm on Wednesday 20th July. Copies of CHUF's term dates for the whole year, and next, can be viewed and downloaded from our website: <http://www.chuf.co.uk>.

We will be sending out session requests for September very soon, please return them quickly as we like to accommodate our existing parent's choices before we book in new children and we have a very long waiting list to get through. We will assume your child is leaving for school if they are school-age so please let us know if this is not the case.

## **Staff Changes**

It is with great pleasure that we can now announce who will be taking over from Anne when she retires in July. We had a good response to our recruitment drive and we are pleased to say Kasia from our Haddenham setting was the successful candidate. Anne and Kasia are now going through a handover period. All the CHUF ladies are looking forward to working with Kasia as the Manager and the new and exciting times ahead. Well done Kasia and good luck in your new role.

We also warmly welcome Lizzie Lewis to the team. Lizzie will be working at the Chearsley setting. She loves baking, arts and crafts, photography and anything creative. She also enjoys being outdoors and exploring. She has two children who are 4 and 5 years old and keep her on her toes! She says she is really looking forward to getting to know all of the children here at Chuf and feels very lucky to be joining such a lovely team.

## **Snack Donations**

We would be very grateful for snack donations as we are getting quite low. The children love fresh fruit, dried fruit, Cheerios, rice cakes, breadsticks but the current group are not so keen on the oat cakes or cream crackers.

## **Fundraising at CHUF**

A massive thank you to everyone who took part in the Sponsored Bunny Hop, we have raised an amazing £1512.09 across the 2 settings so far and the donations are still coming in! We will keep you updated on the final figure and how the money will be spent.

## **April Lottery**

The April lottery will be drawn a little late on Tuesday 3rd May as April is flying by and we still have lots of numbers available so please drop us an email if you would like to take part.

Just £2 per number and a chance to win £50 cash prize.

Available numbers are: 8, 9, 11, 16, 19, 26, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 49.

We really appreciate your support, so grab your numbers now!

The Gambling Act 2005 Registration Number: LC202203-74385

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## **Planning**

The children have loved the Dinosaur Topic and were very excited to discover the dinosaur egg they had been looking after had hatched! They have enjoyed using the new patio equipment and have travelled to the moon and back in a rocket that they made whilst learning about Space. The next topic will be Lifecycles and they will be looking after caterpillars and hen eggs - waiting for them to hatch. The new Tuesday afternoon Gardening Club started this week and they had lots of fun making grassy caterpillars. If you would like to book in for any ad-hoc afternoon sessions please drop us an email.

## **Feedback**

We will be sending out questionnaires this week to get parent feedback so please complete and return these, a box will be provided so that they can be completed and returned anonymously. We really appreciate your views as they help us to improve the service we provide. If you wish to speak to your child's key worker for feedback at any stage, please contact them to make an appointment to discuss your child's progress.

## **Recording Absences**

Please can we remind you to report your child's absences on the day by calling the setting. We ask that you call your child's setting rather than email as our main email address may not be monitored in time for the registers to be updated. Chearsley can be called on 01844 201858 and Haddenham on 01844 299123. If you are aware of any future absences such as holidays, or appointments etc, please do let us know these in advance so we can record this information, such absences can be noted by email, telephone or in person in the setting when dropping off or picking up your child. The CHUF main email address is : [info@chufpreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@chufpreschool.co.uk).

## **Payment of Fees**

Payment of Fee monies are welcome in cash, cheque (Made payable to Chearsley & Haddenham Under 5's) or internet payment into our Lloyds account as follows:

**Sort**

**code:** 30-98-56

**Account**

**Number:** 00503068

**Account**

**Name:** Chearsley & Haddenham Under 5's

Please can we remind you that payments should be annotated, in the space provided to quote what and whom the payment is in respect of, e.g. Joe Bloggs Fees 1st Half Autumn. Without these details it is exceptionally hard to match up payments with monies outstanding, and leads to people being chased for payment unnecessarily. Payments should be made within two weeks of being billed.

## **The Staff at CHUF**

Anne Barker Manager, Child Protection Officer, Debbie Whale Administrator, Karen Elder Supervisor (Ch), Kasia Kowalska Supervisor (H), Sarah Wassall Supervisor (H), Debbie Turvey (CH), Lauren Godfrey (Ch), Donna Eldred (Ch), Lauren Rowe (Ch), Lizzie Lewis (CH), Fiona Distin (H), Sara Heap SENCO (H), Kimmy Nicholl (H), Della Teggart (H), Joanna Beck (H).