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The CHUF Courier - Issue 9

Welcome to the 9th edition of the 'CHUF Courier', and what under normal circumstances would have been our last week in CHUF before the May half term holiday. As usual we do hope that this issue finds you all as well as possible? At this stage as you will know from the emails issued to you last week we are currently in the planning stages of organising a possible return to CHUF from the 1st June at the earliest. As explained in our emailed letters, due to social distancing guidelines this will be only for our children due to leave CHUF in July to start School in September. A lot of hard work is currently ongoing behind the scenes at CHUF formulating our possible re-opening plans in line with the Government's guidelines. We will be in touch in greater detail with those of you who have children that will be leaving to start school in September and have indicated that you would like your child to return to CHUF on the understanding that this is likely to be on a different basis to your current allocation of sessions (And to a very different looking CHUF too). Please note that **there will be no CHUF Courier next week (W/C 25th May)**, as it is half term and we will be focusing on our re-opening plans, but we will be back the following week. We do hope you all have a safe, and happy half term week and we look forward to hearing what you have been up to!

CHUF Leavers & Session Request Forms for Autumn Term 2020 for Non CHUF Leavers

Again, thank you to all the Parents and Carers of our CHUF leavers who have been in touch to let us know which School your child will be attending in September. The deadline for letting us know this information has now passed and the majority of Parents have been in touch enabling us to update our records. A few remain outstanding and have been written to individually, please can replies be received as soon as possible, as not knowing what school your child will be attending hampers our ability to be in touch with your child's Reception Class teacher to help with this important transition.

The deadline for completed session request forms from Parents and Carers of all those existing CHUF children who are not old enough to start school in the Autumn Term 2020 has now passed and the majority of forms have been received. Thank you! A formal confirmation of sessions will be issued via email shortly for your reference. Several session requests do however remain outstanding and again a further copy has been issued (By post this time). These **forms must be returned by 1st June 2020**, or we will assume that you are happy with your current allocation of sessions to remain in place for the whole of Autumn Term 2020.

A massive thank you once again, to everyone who has sent in pictures of their creations or activities for inclusion, we have been overwhelmed by your response to this! Thank you! Each photo you send in brings a big smile to our faces!

Our CHUF Gallery

Thank you as always for all the amazing pictures you have sent us either by email (info@chufpreschool.co.uk) or by posting on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/CheersleyandHaddenhamUnderFives/>

Please do continue to send us your children's wonderful creations and pictures of what they have been up to so that we can share them with you. They really do brighten up our day! Below are some of the fantastic pictures we have received recently (You have obviously been very busy bee's so we have lots of pictures to share, please don't be disappointed if your picture is not in this week's edition , we are saving some for our future issues) :

(All Pictures removed due to including photo's of the children themselves)

Joke Corner

Do you have any jokes you can share with us to make us and your fellow CHUF friends laugh?? If you do please send them to: info@chufpreschool.co.uk. Here are a few that we have found (We'll let you decide if they are funny or not)

Q. What do you call a sheep with no legs?

A. A cloud.

Q. What do you call a one-eyed dinosaur?

A. A 'do-you-think-he saw-us'.

Q. Why do bees have sticky hair?

A. Because they use honey combs.

This Weeks Activity Suggestion:

Make a Raincloud



This rain cloud in a jar experiment gives young children a chance to explore clouds and rain in a hands-on and engaging way! It is a simple science activity can be linked to the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) 'Understanding of the World' segment of the curriculum, and is fun and very easy to do, so why not have a go?

You will need:

A jug or glass

Cold water

Shaving Foam

Food colouring

A pipette

How to make your raincloud:

- 1) Fill your glass/jug 3/4 full with the cold water.
- 2) Fill the rest of your glass/jug with shaving foam.
- 3) Make a separate solution of water and food colouring.
- 4) Slowly drip the coloured water solution into the shaving foam and watch as your 'raincloud' starts to rain into the rest of the clear water below.

Your Creations

Don't forget to send us pictures of your creations or what you have been up to as well as any suggestions you may have, for sharing in our next edition. Please email them to our usual email address (info@chufpreschool.co.uk), or post them under the comments sections of the relevant Facebook posts if applicable. We would really love to share them with everyone at CHUF. Thank you!

Links & Suggestions

Here are some links to ideas and websites that you may find useful (Some of which we may have already shared on our Facebook page, so apologies for any repetition):

Our first link this week is for some home learning packs by the ever popular Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler (Author and illustrators of 'The Gruffalo' etc). These can be downloaded for free at:

<https://resource-bank.scholastic.co.uk/content/FREE-Julia-Donaldson-and-Axel-Scheffler-Home-Learning-Packs-40114>

The next link is from London Zoo and their Partner Whipsnade Zoo, who have teamed up, and have live webcams in many of the animals enclosures, such as the Lemurs, Meerkats and Sloths. If you click on the link once on this page 'Welcome to Zoo School', you will be able to scroll to the section EYFS 3-5 Year olds, for activity sheets:

<http://zsl.org/zsl-london-zoo/virtual-london-zoo>

Our last link suggestion this week is for some colouring sheets and can be found at <http://www.supercoloring.com/> Just scroll to the bottom of the page and click the arrow for popular colouring pages where you will find lots of free downloads of popular topics and characters.

And finally here's Kasia (From CHUF in Haddenham) having fun and getting some exercise on the trampoline.....



Stay Safe Everyone Until next Time.....
