



Lisa's Letter

Welcome

Welcome to my second newsletter. It seems a long time ago that I wrote the last one - didn't quite manage to do one for the start of the Spring term as I had hoped.

The start of this year seems to have gone by so quickly and I can't believe that we are already at Easter.

In this letter there are updates on children I care for, details of the travelling teddies and a list of my planned holiday dates. Hope that you all have a great EASTER

Spring 2012

Now that the days are getting longer we are starting to get ready to use outside a lot more. Could you make sure that your child has a sun-hat and sun-cream (labeled please) either with them or left at Lisa's so that we can avoid any injury or damage from the sun? This includes the older children who also need to make sure that they have a spare change of clothes to play outside after school! It would also be useful for the older children if they could bring and old t-shirt or dad's old

shirt for messy play.

We have recently made Mother's Day treats and are in the middle of some Easter crafts which I hope that the children are enjoying.

After Easter we will have a bit of a quieter spell before we start to look forwards to the Queens Diamond Jubilee. We will be looking to see what crafts we can do for then.



Starters and leavers

A quick update on the children that I look after.

New starters

Amelie (5) joined us on a shift based rota so is around for 2 or 3 days a week.

Adam (7) joined us after the last holiday for a short period to cover his mum's temporary work until the end of March but he will hopefully be back.

Brandon-Lee (6 moths) has joined us for three days a week and is settling in really well.

Darcy (2½) started last week for one day a week

Harrison (8) and Lillia (5) join us this week for school holidays and a few days a week after school.

Leavers

Jacob and Evie left us at the start of March and will

be missed.

Justin has left for maternity leave - Marie had a little girl, Bridget 10 days ago—mother and baby doing well—CONGRATULATIONS

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Dates to remember:

- Holiday
 - Good Friday 6 April
 - Easter Monday 9 April
 - May Day 7 May
 - Spring Holiday and Jubilee Day 4 and 5 June
 - 6—9 June Lisa Holiday

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A home away from home



I am pleased that we now have the teddy bears and that they have been named. The boy bear is called "Aussie" and the girl "Summer". They have both already been on their travels and have made lots of diary entries about them including Wildwood, The Harvester for dinner, played in the snow, the dentist and all the children's rooms they have visited!) Summer also celebrated Millie's 1st birthday with her. Both the younger and the older children have enjoyed contributing to the diaries and then liked spending time listening or reading for themselves about Aussie and Summer's travels.

Both Aussie and Summer will continue their travels and I really appreciate the time and effort that the children put into the diaries (with your help as needed!)

REMINDER:

Please remember that when your child is ill there are a number of occasions when I am unable to care for them—this is to avoid causing any cross infection to other children in my care. The full list of illness and exclusion periods are in the copy of my portfolio—please ask if you would like another copy of the list.

Holiday dates

Lisa's holiday

6–8 June
23 July–3 August
28 August–31 August
24 December
27–31 December

Bank Holidays

6 and 9 April
7 May
4 and 5 June
27 August
25 and 26 December

WANTED

I have been able to register with Tesco's and Sainsbury to participate in their vouchers for schools scheme. Any vouchers would be much appreciated to help get more equipment for me to use with your children.

Toffee and Fudge, the guinea pigs, have also asked me to let you know if you ever have broccoli stalks or outside cabbage leaves that you don't want they will happily take them off your hands!

