

February 2016

## World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 3rd March. Children and staff are invited to dress up as their favourite character and bring the book into nursery. A main aim of World Book Day in the UK is to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and reading. Here are some examples of different costumes, which can be found at Home Bargains, Asda, Tesco and Ebay.



## Home Diaries

At Bluebell Lodge Nursery we value partnership with parents, and always love to hear what the children have been achieving and exploring outside the setting. The main purpose of our home diaries is to maintain an exchange of information of the children's learning and development including pictures of their weekend adventures. Please do not hesitate to write in your child's diary as we love to see this information on a weekly basis.

## Chinese New Year at Bluebell Lodge Nursery.

The children have really enjoyed engaging in lots of activities in the run up to Chinese New Year. The babies in the baby room have loved exploring their senses through creating monkey hand prints and food tasting. Our Toddlers had so much fun creating a giant Chinese dragon using lots of different materials and colours. In Lower Pre-school the children have been making their own dragon head bands, using them to engage in great imaginative play with their peers. Pre-school children have had lots of fun exploring the many different Chinese traditions and trying to copy Chinese symbols.



## Mobile Phone and Smartwatch Policy

Please can we remind parents with regards to the use of mobile phones and smartwatches on the nursery premises. At Bluebell Lodge we strive to ensure that all children are safeguarded, and we constantly review our practices. With this in mind we kindly ask parents/carers to refrain from using their mobile phones/smartwatches, especially to take photographs on the nursery premises.



## Free Medications for Minor Ailments:

If your child is suffering from any minor ailments contained in the list below and they are registered with a GP in Blackpool they can get free medication without seeing their GP. This service is only available in Pharmacies in Blackpool.

List of Minor Ailments covered by the service

- Acute pain/Headache/Temperature
- Bites/Stings
- Cold sores
- Colds/Flu/Nasal congestion
- Conjunctivitis
- Acute Constipation
- Coughs
- Diarrhoea
- Hay fever
- Headlice
- Mouth Ulcers
- Oral Thrush
- Sore throats
- Teething
- Threadworm

## Collections

We are currently collecting ribbon, purses, bags, empty perfume bottles and boxes, empty chocolate boxes, used cards and envelopes.



## Reminders for parents

**Hats & Coats** - could parents please remember to label hats, coats and jumpers. The children go out every day and it is an enormous help if their outdoor wear and jumpers are labelled. Also it saves any mix ups with missing items.

*Nappies and Wipes* - please make sure we have adequate supplies for your child. They are kept in your child's tray and the tray is labelled so that only your child's nappies/wipes are used on your child.

**Dates to remember.**

February 8 <sup>th</sup>	Chinese New Year – Year of the Monkey
February 9 <sup>th</sup>	Shrove Tuesday
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Valentines Day
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	World Book Day
March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers Day
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Relief

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<http://www.learningcurvenursery.co.uk/welcome.asp>