

Shepherd Lodge Newsletter



March 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.



Easter Bonnet Parade Shepherd Lodge is holding an Easter Bonnet Parade - everyone is welcome to make a bonnet and parents are welcome to watch the parade. The parade will take place in the garden on Thursday 24th March at 2.30 pm. Here are some examples of Easter Bonnets; there are some helpful kits in Home Bargains and Asda.



NICMA new mobile learning app - The Northern Ireland Social Care Council's new Mobile App 'Child Development 0-6 Years' is now available to download free from iTunes and Google Play to use on Apple & Android tablet and mobile devices. This free resource for social workers, early year's workers and parents was developed by NISCC, Queens University of Belfast and University of Ulster. It is designed to ensure that professionals and people with an interest in early years and child care have instant access to high quality information on child developmental norms relevant to the 0-6 year's age group.



<http://www.nicma.org/cms/press-releases/496-new-mobile-learning-app--child-development-0-6-years>

Car seat Safety - As temperatures dip we need to wrap up warm, however a bulky coat and a car seat is a dangerous combination. A bulky coat under a child seat harness can result in the harness being too loose to be effective in a crash. Please see the following link <http://www.consumerreports.org/cro/news/2012/12/winter-coats-and-car-seats-keeping-your-child-safe-and-warm/index.htm>



Correct Incorrect After Coat Compression

Collections - We are currently collecting shells, small logs and fir cones.



Dates for your diary

March 3rd - World Book Day

March 6th - Mothers Day

March 20th - Sports Relief

March 17th - Parents Evening 6.00 - 8 pm

March 25th - Bank Holiday (nursery closed)

March 28th - Bank holiday (nursery closed)