



Welcome to The Early Years Centre at Camps Hill Newsletter!

We would like to take this opportunity to keep you updated on the goings on within the Early Years Centre. We always welcome parents comments and suggestions, so please feel free to speak to your child's Key worker at anytime.



SCHOOL SECURITY

Please can you ensure that the Centre holds the correct contact details for your child.

This is vital as we may need to contact parents urgently if your child is ill.

If anyone other than yourself (or someone who regularly picks up your child) is due to collect them at the end of the session, please inform your Child's Key worker in advance. You will be asked to provide us with a password, this

can then be entered onto your child's details and used in the future. Please give this password to us and the person who will be collecting your child. We are not able to hand over children to adults who we have not previously met without prior notification and an agreed password.

REMINDER!

If your child was born between the 1st September 2007 and 31st August 2008 you need to apply for their **nursery** place online before the 1st April, please ensure that if you are wanting to select Camps Hill you pick Camps Hill Community Primary School, not Early Years Centre. Even though your child currently attends the preschool, you will still need to complete this process.

Offers will be published online on 4th May.

We have updated our website, if you log on to www.campshill.herts.sch.uk you can click onto nursery / preschool and check it out!



Don't forget that the term after your child turns three they are entitled to 15 hours FREE childcare from the government—if they are not claiming their 15 hours and you would like to, please see the school office.



Payment of School Fees

As a reminder, please can you ensure that your child's fees are paid for on time. You will be invoiced half termly for the hours / extra hours taken. On this invoice there will be a payment due by date, if we haven't received payment by this date, you will lose your child's sessions / extra hours.

If paying for your bill is proving difficult, please speak to a member of staff or the office regarding a payment plan.

We welcome your ideas!

We now have a Parent notice board in the cloakroom for parents suggestions, and we would welcome your ideas and suggestions for The Early Years Centre, particularly on how you can get more involved in what we do here.

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Library Books

If you would like to borrow books from our library you can purchase a book folder from the school office, these are priced at £2.00 each



Spring Term 2011:

Term Ends: 8th April at 2.15pm

Summer Term 2011:

Starts: 26th April

BANK HOLIDAY: 29th April

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INSET DAY: 27th May

Half Term: 30th May - 3rd June

Term Ends: 21st July at 3.30pm

Autumn Term 2011

Starts: 6th September

Half Term: 24th October—28th October

Term Ends: 16th December at 3.30pm

Spring Term 2012

Starts: 3rd January

Half Term: 13th February—17th February

Term Ends: 30th March at 3.30pm



This year we have decided to join in with the Barnados ' Big Toddle ' This is the UK's biggest charity event for children under the age of 5 and the theme for 2011 is animals. The children will be invited to dress up as their favourite animal and toddle with us around the school grounds.

We are going to organise activities for the children to prepare for the event, and our ' stay and play ' sessions before will be arranged to help with this so watch out for dates to put in your diary!

We also hope to combine this event with a picnic afterwards in our outdoor area and we hope that you will support us and Barnardo's to raise money to support 415 projects across the UK that work directly with children and their families. You will find out more information on these services at www.bigtoddle.co.uk. We look forward to a successful event!

We still have some afternoon places available in The Early Years Centre for children aged 2 years 4 months onwards, please see The School Office for details. We are also holding open sessions on Monday 14th 2-3pm and Monday 21st March 4-6pm for any new children and parents wanting to come and look around!