



A very big welcome to all of the new children coming into Butterflies and a great big welcome back to our children from last year. We look forward to a busy year and it is so much fun to see our children change and grow. For all our newcomers, our newsletter is a place to share current news and past and upcoming events, so if you have anything you think is newsworthy, please use the **submit article** button on the Downloads page on our website. This month we say goodbye to Joan. You and your baking will be sorely missed but we wish you all the best in your new venture. A big welcome back to to Rachel, who's baby girl Ruby is almost a year old and we would like to welcome Mags to the team. She will become a familiar face at school collections and drop offs. Louise Stewart is travelling the Australian Continent and we look forward to hearing all about her holiday when she returns in mid October, just in time for some creepy festivities!

### Reminders

- Please use the fee envelopes we provide. We have a system in place that helps us keep track of all payments.
- Please do not arrive too soon before your child's start or finish time. The
  area outside is strictly for drop-offs and collections and we ask that you
  drive out as soon as possible.
- Parking for any length of time just causes congestion. If there is no available space at the front please drive around to the side, as double parking blocks other cars coming in.

#### Another Year

Staff turnover is not a frequent occurrence here at Butterflies so when a staff member leaves, we like to make a big deal of it. Joan left us recently for a new venture and she will be sorely missed. But change is part of life and at Butterflies we like to use it as a teaching moment and instill in our children the idea that change can also be good. On that note we welcome Mags.

We're looking forward to some cookery delights, so no pressure Mags! We would also like to welcome Rachel back. The children were really delighted to see her and when Louise Stewart returns from Australia, we will have the best team in childcare back together again!



Cathy

# What's Going On?





Baby Room

It's the end of September and we have new little explorers to join our happy group. We are busy getting to know each other and discovering wonderful new things each day, helping to broaden our imaginations and while developing our skills, both in the baby room and outside in the playground, as we are so lucky to still have this beautiful sunny weather.

Maggie & Lisa

# Early Learning/Toddler Room

Louise has been away for the month of September but Lisa has been introducing the children to pre-Montessori work like beading, puzzles and differentiating colors, shapes & patterns. Circle time allows us to learn new songs, our numbers and talk about home life. The children become more familiar with each other and this builds confidence.



Louise Stewart



Pre-Montessori Room

A warm welcome to our new busy bees who have recently transitioned from the toddler room. They have been adjusting nicely to their new surroundings. We have been busy exploring our new work materials like beading, matching, pouring while putting our fine motor skills, hand and eye co-ordination to great use. The boys and girls have been catching on to the newly introduced colour flash cards.

Louise Hurley & Hazel

## Montessori Rooms

September was the beginning of the school year for our new Montessori students and each child was welcomed and given a picture hook to hang their bags and coats on. They then picked an animal picture to paint, which are up on the wall to promote a sense of identity and belonging. So far we have introduced them to some basic practical life skills as well as circle time, free play, outdoor play and story-time, all part of the holistic development of each child.



Charmaine & Mairead





Rachel & Mags

## Out & About

We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome Rachel back from maternity leave and to welcome Mags to the fold. You may see both out and about Lusk in the Butterflies Crèche car and Mags is doing a great job keeping our little ones fed with freshly cooked wholesome food and the occasional treat ©