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Dear Parents,

This newsletter is always available on the PGS website [www.pgs.org.uk](http://www.pgs.org.uk)

**Congratulations to Miss Foster.** She has successfully secured a new position working in the Junior School as a classroom assistant. Whilst we will all miss her very much in the nursery, we will still see her everyday in the dining room!

**Changes to nursery staffing.** I am very delighted to be able to let you know that Miss Sargeant has agreed to take over from Miss Foster and Miss Simon will be taking over from Mrs Byerley. They have been working as supply staff for the last few months and will make brilliant additions to the nursery team. The job adverts below are for additional staff members to work in the nursery.

During this week, the role-play 'Jungle' has been a huge success. Many camp fires have been built and food cooked and enjoyed! The dinosaur theme has been enjoyed by all the children – thank you for bringing in 'dinosaur eggs', they have been decorated beautifully with lots of bright colours. The reception class teachers from PGS Junior School have all visited the nursery and met most of the children. The children are certainly very excited about there new teachers.

Next week, the theme will be 'In the jungle'. Activities around the nursery will include looking at a selection of animal patterns and having a go at painting them, making binoculars and maps, cutting spiral snakes, and playing outside in tents!

**Transition to school – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June** - Preparations are well in hand as many of the children transfer to school in September. As you know the children going to the Junior School will enjoy visiting their new classrooms on Wednesday afternoon. 'Learning Journey's' and Transfer documents are being completed – if you have not had an appointment with your child's 'key person', please make arrangements for this to happen. Thank you.

### **Big Toddle – Friday 26 June**

The 'Big Toddle' is fast approaching – please do your best in such a short space of time to get as many sponsors as possible. You should all have received a sponsor form – please support this worthwhile charity. Please return the sponsor form as soon as you have sponsorship, as we need to sign the envelope on the day of the Toddle. If your child does not usually attend nursery on Friday morning and you would like him/her to take part in the 'Big Toddle', please arrive for **9.15 a.m. and leave after the walk**. Thanks to all the parents that have signed up to help. We really do appreciate your help on occasions such as this. Thank you.

**Teddy Bears Picnic – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.** If you are accompanying this walk to Governors Green – don't forget your picnic. This event is for children transferring to school. If your child usually has a hot lunch provided by the school, then a packed lunch will be provided, otherwise please provide a packed lunch. A list of helpers and children will be put on the whiteboard very soon.

**DON'T FORGET TO BRING TEDDY TO NURSERY FOR THE DAY!**

## **Zoolab Photos**

Photos at [www.rossyoung.co.uk/pgsnursery](http://www.rossyoung.co.uk/pgsnursery) from the Zoolab afternoon are really good. Some were taken during play and some whilst the children were handling the animals. The web link allows you to order photos if you wish.

Have a good weekend.

Lois Johnson.

**The Portsmouth Grammar School Nursery**  
**Early Years Assistant for Nursery &**  
**Holiday Care**

(Part time – 48 weeks per year)

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, appropriately qualified and experienced person to work in this busy, thriving nursery. The successful applicant should have NVQ3 or equivalent qualification. Knowledge of the EYFS document is essential. This role includes taking 'key person' responsibility for a small group of children including leading some activities, making observation records of children's achievements; daily organisation and clearing away of the play areas. You will assist the Head of Nursery or Holiday Care leader in all aspects of this provision. Hours of work will be five mornings per week plus Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

If possible this post will commence on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2009

Please telephone for an application form: 02392 681337

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