



The Portsmouth Grammar School Nursery,
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Head of Nursery
Mrs. L. Johnson
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Dear Parents,

This week the children have enjoyed looking taking part in a 'Traffic Census'. On Thursday morning they all walked to the High Street Arch to record the vehicles passing the school. In nursery much talk and role-play revolved around bus journeys.

To finish off the theme 'All types of traffic' will be the focus. The children will be encouraged to think about all kinds of transport and make models, make a graph of their favourite, watch 'The Red Tractor', make a car track game and use vehicle wheels rolled in paint for printing. If you would like to extend learning at home – please look at and talk about the properties of both 2D and 3D shapes. Thank you. It should be a fun week!

After half term the theme is 'Colour, shape and materials'. It is a really busy half term, at the end of which the oldest children leave to go to school.

The money raised at Games Morning earlier this year, has been used to purchase post protectors for the outdoor area.

Edith's mum is selling jewellery on Wednesday 26 and Thursday 27 May from 3 p.m. – 4.15 p.m. It is beautiful silver jewellery that makes ideal presents – do have a look.

Important reminders:

Bird World reminder - Please complete and return forms as soon as possible. It is not possible to care for any children in the nursery on this day as everyone will be on the trip.

Booking forms for children returning to nursery in September 2010 – Wendy has these in Reception, please complete by next Friday. Thank you.

Sun cream – the weather is getting warmer, please apply sun cream before nursery.

Tooth brushing evaluation – the toothbrushing program is part of a city wide campaign to improve dental health in young children. There is an evaluation form in your child's tray. I would be very grateful if you would complete and return it.

JSA Summer Fete Sunday 27 June 2010 at 12 noon – 3 p.m, venue TBC. As our JSA Nursery Representative, Mr Rothwell will be organising the nursery stall, any suggestions for the stall or offers of help, please speak to Mr Rothwell.

Periodic Progress Transfer Records – For children going to school in September 2010.

During the final half term of this school year your child's key person will invite you to look at a 'Learning Journey' and make a contribution to the Transfer Record. For children going to local schools, reception class teachers have been invited to visit us at PGS (some have already been!) and a Transition Meeting took place on Thursday 20 May. For children going into PGS Junior School dates have been arranged for the reception class teachers to visit nursery to meet the children, and 'Learning Journeys' will be passed on to them at the end of term. If you would like any more information about transition arrangements please do not hesitate to ask.

Have a very happy weekend.

Lois Johnson.