



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

This week the theme has been 'Blue and square'. The children have enjoyed using a very wide variety of blue collage materials in the maths, books and craft areas. Other activities have included Dragon Boat Festival related activities. I hope you have taken a glance outside – there are two post protectors – hopefully there will be less collisions causing head bumps!!

Next week the theme is 'Yellow and circles'. During the week activities include making a 'favourite shapes' graph, experimenting with balls rolling down slopes, developing ball skills, using hoops outdoors, and making suns and sunflowers. The role play area will be 'Superheroes'.

The sound of the week is 'p'. Thank you for providing items for the interest table so regularly. If you would like to develop learning at home, please have a 'shape walk' around your house and identify regular 2D and 3D shapes. Thank you.

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**Sun cream** – please apply all day sun cream before nursery.

**Transition to school – Wednesday 23 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. Please remember to collect your child from the reception classrooms. Thank you.

### **Big Toddle – Friday 25 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**. Thank you.

### **Alex Pascal – Friday 25 June**

The nursery children attending on Friday afternoon will join children from the Junior School in the Cathedral for a celebration of Caribbean music at 2.30 p.m. The children will walk to the Cathedral. We should all be back at about 3.30 p.m.

Have a good weekend.

Lois Johnson.

**The Portsmouth Grammar School Nursery**  
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**Early Years Assistant**

Part time – Term Time only (Temporary)

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; organisation of tea time and after care activities. You will assist the Head of Nursery in all aspects of this provision. Hours of work will be Tuesday and Thursday 9.45 a.m. – 5.45 p.m. with the possibility of more hours to cover staff sickness and course attendance. CRB clearance is required. This post may become permanent in the future. The rate of pay is dependent on qualification level. The Portsmouth Grammar School is an equal opportunities employer and promotes a diverse workforce.

This post will commence on 31 August 2010

Please telephone for an application form: 02392 681337

Contact: Mrs L Johnson (l.johnson@pgs.org.uk)

Closing date for applications: Friday 25 June 2010

Interviews will take place in the week commencing: 5 July 2010