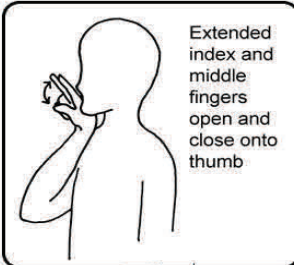
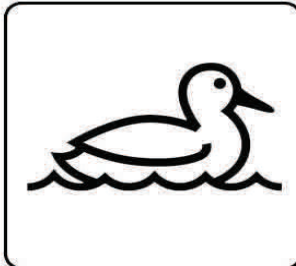


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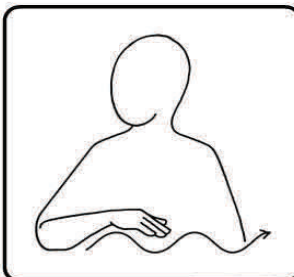
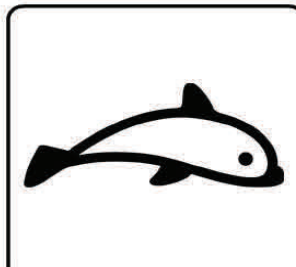
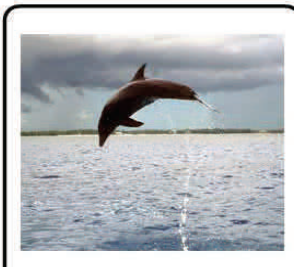
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MAKATON SIGNS TO LEARN AT HOME



Extended
index and
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fingers
open and
close onto
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Duck



Dolphin

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BABY ROOM NEWS

In Babies this month, the little one's have made their very own nursery rhymes display in the room (please feel free to take a look). The children have also taken a particular interest in painting and have been doing a spot of artwork on some easels. We have enjoyed sand play, where one day we would have cars in the sand and then spades and jugs the next day. Babies have also enjoyed strawberry picking and are continuing to adapt their makaton skills as well as taking part in singing time.

In September, we are going to be watching some interactive stories on the whiteboard as part of our learning.

PLAYSCHEME NEWS

We have had lots and lots of fun in Playscheme this summer. Luckily the weather has been on our side so the children have taken several trips out to the local park and our adventure playground. We have also been bowling, to the Play Factory, baking cakes, doing wii activities, arts and crafts, sports and much much more. Our next Playscheme will be run the end of October during the school holiday. Booking forms will be out very soon. Places are limited.

SUNCREAM & SLIPPERS

Please could we remind all parent/carers to bring in their little one's suncream in from home.

Could we also ask if all children could please bring in some comfortable indoor footwear such as slippers in order to try and keep our nice new carpet clean.

Many Thanks.

TWEENIES UPDATE

Firstly, we are saying a fond farewell to Kate from Tweenies room who will be leaving the Centre to further her career as a personal trainer. We wish Kate the best of luck.

Our Tweenies have been very busy in August. We have been to our local park on quite a few occasions, then took a trip to Walsall Art Gallery where the children had a chance to play with the galleries resources in the disco room. We also went to Rushall Library for some Storytelling. The children really enjoyed being out and about and were a credit to the Centre.

Amongst all of their little adventures, Tweenies have enjoyed being in the home corner and having their own little tea parties as well as enjoying sand and water play.

Please could we ask all parents/carers to bring in some of their family photo's as it will be lovely for our little one's to have a family display in their room. Many Thanks.

DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone that has helped us with donations, your kindness is much appreciated. We have received lots of clothes which has been a great help. We are still a little short on boys and girls spare socks/pants so if you could please help us this would be very kind. Once again thank you for your help.

MOBILE DENTIST

The mobile dentist will be visiting the centre on: **Thursday 15th September** from **9.30am - 4.30pm**. If your child is in our care on this day and you would like them to be seen by the dentist, please could you complete a parent consent form at Reception.

Alternately you are more than welcome to bring your child along.



FEE INCREASE

We would just like to remind all parents/carers that the second stage of the price increase will be implemented on **Monday 5th September 2011**. The new prices will be as follows:

FULL WEEK DAY CARE - £150.00 (£5.00 increase)

FULL DAY 8am - 6pm - £35.00 (£1.50 increase)

HALF DAY 8am - 1pm or 1pm - 6pm - £19.00 (£1.00 increase)

WRAP AROUND - £22.00 (£1.00 increase)

PLAYSCHEME 10am - 4pm £18.00 (£1.00 increase).

HOURLY - £5.10 (30p increase)

TOY LIBRARY

The Toy Library will be visiting the Centre on **Friday 28th October** from **10.30am**. There are a huge range of toys available to borrow for children aged 0 to 12 years old, including toys for children with special needs. Why not pop along and take a look.

DAY TRIP VOUCHERS

If anyone is looking for things to do before your little one's are back at school then why not take a look at this website:

www.myvouchercode.co.uk

There are many vouchers on here such as Drayton Manor tickets **2 for 1** or **20% off** Sealife Centre in Birmingham.

EVENT SUGGESTIONS

We need your help!

We are looking for ideas and suggestions from adults and children for any event you would like to see at the centre. It could be a fun day, animal man or whatever else you think would be popular. What time and days would suit you best? We would really appreciate your input. We will be producing a questionnaire very shortly and would be most grateful if you could take just a minute to complete one for us.

Thank you for your help.



WELCOME & GOODBYE

In September we will be welcoming new children to Tweenies and saying a very sad farewell to our existing Tweenies, who are now very grown up and will be starting there brand new big school. We will miss you all very much and hope to see you again in our playscheme. Pop back and see us anytime! Good luck.

Healthy Recipe

Chicken Quesadillas



Ingredients

- 1/2 tbsp sunflower oil
- 1 skinless chicken breast, sliced into small strips
 - 1/2 onion, sliced
- 1/4 red pepper, cut into thin slices
 - 1 tbsp balsamic vinegar
 - 1/2 tsp brown sugar
 - 2 tbsp mild salsa
 - 2 large tortillas
 - 60g Cheddar, grated

Method

Pre-heat a grill to high.

Heat the oil in a wok or large frying pan and stir fry the chicken for 2 minutes.

Add the onion and cook for 2 minutes.

Add the pepper and cook for 2-3 minutes.

Add the balsamic vinegar and sugar and cook for 1 minute.

Spread 1 tablespoon of salsa over half of each tortilla and sprinkle over half the cheese.

Divide the chicken mixture between the two tortillas. Roll up and arrange in the dish.

Sprinkle with the rest of the cheese.

Grill for 1 1/2-2 minutes each side to warm the tortilla and melt the cheese.

Information

Preparation time: 8 minutes

Cooking time: 10 minutes

Makes 2 portions

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