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# Brighthouse SOS Newsletter

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*Hello!*

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Welcome to the relaunch of the Brighthouse SOS Newsletter! This is the place to get regular news and updates from the setting. We also aim to provide open, two way communication between SOS and home, so please let us know if there's anything you'd like to see included!

## **Garden make over**

Over the last few weeks the children have been busy drawing beautiful pictures to illustrate their ideas to change the outside space. We are in the process of making some of these ideas a reality and will keep you up to date with the progress.



## **Donations needed**

The borders and planters are almost ready for bright and cheerful flowers and plants. We would appreciate any donations of flowers or plants to make these areas as colourful as possible, thank you.

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***Pebble mania***

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The children have been painting their own beach pebbles for the new garden areas. Some children have written their names, created animals or painted a word.

**Ask your child to show you their special pebble next time you visit!**

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***Arts & crafts***

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Due to the creative nature of SOS we always need a regular supply of cardboard boxes, crafts, paints, brushes, paper, card. If you have anything you would be happy to donate (cereal boxes, stickers, paper etc) the staff and children would be extremely grateful, thank you.

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***Food Hygiene Rating***

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We are pleased to announce we have received a 5 star food hygiene rating. The Food Safety Officer inspects for how food is prepared, cooked and stored; the cleanliness of the facilities and how a business manages and records what it does. A top rating of 5 is only awarded to those businesses that are found to have a 'very good' hygiene standard.

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***Meal of the Month***

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At SOS we encourage the children to be open to different tastes and textures by introducing them to diets from around the world. May's 'Meal of the Month' was Greek. The Greek diet of salads, olive oil, fruit, cheese and yoghurt, is considered one of the healthiest in the world. The meal was a great success with the children enjoying all the healthy tastes and flavours.

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***SOS Superstar***

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Many children will have now received their SOS Superstar Certificate for exceptional behaviour. During the holidays we asked staff from the Toy Box Nursery to draw 3 tickets. We can confirm the winners for this term are Xanthe, Jessica and Rosie, congratulations to all those children!

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*Activities* In April the children enjoyed the chick hatching experience. Some children were lucky enough to see some chicks hatch and take their first tentative steps, it was a memorable experience and it was sad to see them leave.

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**For more information about what goes on at the setting please check out ‘activities’ on the Brighthouse SOS website.**

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*EU voting* We are open from 07.15 hrs – 17.45 hrs on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Places are limited so please contact SOS if you require childcare this day.

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*Staff* We are pleased to announce we will have one full time and two part time staff joining the SOS team shortly. We look forward to introducing you to the new team in due course however, we would like to take this opportunity to thank Michaela, Katie and Bronte for their continued hard work and commitment over the last few weeks.

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**Thank you for all your support, SOS!**

### **Contact**

**If you would like to contact us about anything in the newsletter, or if you wish to have something included then please don't hesitate to contact us**

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