

# **April Newsletter**

#### Pre-School Room

The children in preschool have been learning about Spring. They have been learning about the weather especially the rain. They have been observing and learning about changes to the environment such as the spring flowers and the leaf buds growing on the trees. They have enjoyed making perfume in the tuff tray using essence and spring flowers.

We have been on lots of walks looking for signs of Spring, such as when we went bug hunting in the park. We developed our Communication and Language Skills learning new vocabulary for Spring

We also learnt about Mother's Day and talked about all the nice things our mummies do for us. .

#### Coronation Party

the 5th May to celebrate the King's Coronation. We will be taking part in craft activities and having a party tea. If your child attends the Friday afternoon session then we would like to invite you to join our celebrations from 2pm-4pm. Unfortunately due to spaces we are unable to book children in extra that day. Please could you let either Claire or Sam know by Friday 21st April if you are planning to join your child.

#### **Toddler Room**

The Toddler Room have also been learning about Spring. They have been out on walks looking for signs of Spring and just having fun at the park. They have taken part in baking activities that develop their mathematical skills and Understanding of the World through noticing the changes that take place to the ingredients when mixing and baking.

They have had lots of sensory play with playdough and in the water tray.

#### Baby Room

The baby room have been developing their Communication and Language Skills through looking at books and talking about what they can see on the pages and asking lots of questions.

They have also enjoyed singing lots of songs and have had fun taking part in lots of creative activities that develop their sensory skills.

#### Important Dates

Good Friday 7th April Easter Monday 10th April Vaisakhi April 14th

Saint George's Day 23rd April

Book & Rhyme of the month Preschool: "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle. "Five Little Speckled Frogs". Toddler Room: "The Very Hungry Caterpillar".

"Five Little Ducks" Babies: Five Little Ducks"

We are holding a party afternoon on

#### **Bank Holidays**

Please note the nursery will be closed on the following

Good Friday 7th April

Easter Monday 10th April

May Day Monday 1st May

Coronation Bank Holiday 8th May

#### Bags

Please can we ask that you do not bring your child's belongings in a draw string bag or carrier bag for safety reasons. Also, we are finding a number of bags containing Calpol or other medication. Please can you ensure that you take out any potentially dangerous items before coming into nursery.

#### **Birthdays**

Martha 4th Elsie 21st Rubie 27th Nlivia 4th

Mahel 6th Amber 17th Samuel 17th

#### Sunny Weather

Now that the weather is getting sunny and warm please could we ask that you bring sun cream and a named sun hat to leave at nursery because we do like to play outside in all weathers. Unfortunately if your child does not have the sun cream or a sun hat they will be unable to play outside on sunny days.



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### Things to do at home this month

#### Pre-School

The children in the preschool room are going to be learning about the life cycle of butterflies and mini beasts. At home you can support this learning by going for a walk and looking for butterflies and caterpillars. Make models out of playdough, or maybe out of junk modelling. You could also bake Butterfly Buns or Caterpillar bread and take the opportunity to use mathematical language such as more and less or literacy skills by reading recipe books.

You can read the story "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and learn the days of the week, talk about different fruits and ask about your child's favourite fruits.

#### Toddler room

The Toddler Room are going to be continuing learning about Spring and they will also be learning about Easter and Vaisakhi. You can help your child join in at home by making Easter pictures and decorating egg shapes. You could grow cress in egg shells and talk about how to care for plants or bake Easter Nest Cakes and talk about melting the chocolate and mixing the chocolate into the cornflakes.

You can go for walks and look at the Spring flowers and talk about the colours of the

#### Baby Room

The Babies are singing Five Little Ducks and continuing to develop their Communication and Language Skills. You can join in at home by singing the song.

You could go for a walk and look for ducks on the canal or in the park pond and count how many ducks you can see developing their mathematical knowledge.

You can bake duck shaped biscuits and encourage your child to mix the ingredients and develop their gross motor skills.

#### Five Little Speckled Frogs

Five Little Speckled Frogs sat on a Speckled Log eating the most delicious bugs yum yum,

One jumped into the pool where it was nice and cool there was one green speckled frog, glub glub.

Four little speckled frogs....

#### **Next Month**

During May the **Preschool** children will be reading "A Scientist Like Me".

The **Toddler Room** will be reading "The Very Lazy Ladybird".

The **Baby Room** will be singing the rhyme "1,2,3,4,5 once I caught a fish alive".

#### Five Little Ducks.

FIVE little ducks went swimming one day, Over the hill and far away. Mamma duck said: 'Quack, quack, quack, quack!' And only FOUR little ducks came back.

FOUR little ducks went swimming one day, Over the hill and far away......