

# **February Newsletter**

#### Pre-School Room

The children in preschool have been learning about Winter. They have developed their Understanding of the World, learning about the changes in the envi-ronment as well learning about water freezing and melting. They have developed their mathematical skills learning about the different patterns in the ice and talked about the size of the ice cubes melting as well as temperature. They have also developed their physical skills practicing putting their own coats and shoes on. They have been developing their language skills learning new vocabulary such as when talking about the frost being crunchy.

#### Valentines Day.

On Friday 12th February we will be celebrating Chinese New Year and Valentines Day. We would like to invite your child to come dressed in red or pink. We have lots of fun activities planned that will teach your child about diversity and other cultures and how we celebrate different traditions.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 4th March with a dressing up day. Come dressed up as your favourite story book character.

#### Toddler Room

In the toddler room, the children have been reading The Tiger that came to Tea, the children have been making their own picnics for the tiger, using their imaginative skills and real food play. We have been talking about where tigers live and what they like to do! The toddler's have spoken about their own experiences in visiting zoos and what other animals they have seen!

#### Baby Room

In the baby room, we have been exploring the outdoor area in all weather. The children have enjoyed exploring the snow and the muddy puddles. We have also been exploring a variety of wet and dry textures.

#### Covid 19

In line with the latest Government announcements, we remain fully open for all children. We have robust measures in place to protect the children, staff and parents. Please could we ask you to help us keep everybody safe by adhering to the latest guidelines issued by the Government.

Please may we remind you to collect your children by 5.30pm so that we can deep clean the nursery on an evening, ready for the next day.

We thankyou for your continued support and appreciate your cooperation.

#### **Important Dates**

Chinese New Year 12th Valentines Day 14th Feb Half Term Mon 15th Pancake day 16th

## Book & Rhyme of the month

Preschool: What Colour is love?

I can sing a rainbow

Toddler: Guess how much

I love You I can sing a rainbow.

Babies: Five Little Speckled Frogs.

#### **Birthdays**

Hermione 2nd Gracie 12th Mollie 14th Darshan 20th Alba 23rd

#### Evidence Me.

We use the online system Evidence Me to observe your child and to share videos and activity ideas, if you haven't received a log in request please let us know and we can resend it to you.



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### Things to do at home this month

#### Pre-School

The children will be reading the story "What Colour is Love" by Linda Strachen. The story is about different colours and feelings, so you could talk about different feelings and what makes your child happy/sad. You could also talk about their favourite colour.

Reading books and talking about them helps to extend a child's listening and speaking skills and develops pre reading skills. We will also be talking about different books during National Story Telling Week developing our Communication and Language skills as well as our Literacy skills.

#### Toddler room

The children are reading "Guess how much I love you" by Sam McBratney. The story talks about size and distance and is perfect for developing mathematical language such as big and small and positional language such as under. To develop this further at home you could talk about the size of items around the home, and ask your child to find you a big item and a small one, to see if they make comparisons. To develop prepositions, together with your child hide a familiar toy, talk about where it was found. E.g 'under the bed' 'down the side of the chair', 'on top of the table'. The rhyme they will be singing is "I can sing a rainbow".

#### Baby Room

The children in the babies are singing "Five Little Speckled Frogs" the song develops a child mathematical skills through counting and learning numbers 1-5.

The children will also be exploring different activities which develops lots of areas of learning including Personal., Social and Emotional, Communication and Language Skills and Physical Skills,

To develop this further at home encourage your baby to explore different textures, such as shaving foam, cereals and flour.

#### I can sing a Rainbow

Red and Yellow and Pink and Green, Purple and Orange and

I can sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow too.

Listen with your eyes, listen with eyes and sing every colour you see.

I can sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow too.

Red and Yellow....

#### Next Month

During March the children in pre school will be reading "Five Minutes Peace" by Jill Murphy and singing "Five Little Ducks".

The Toddler Room will be reading "The Three Billy Goats Gruff" and singing "Old Macdonald had a farm".

The Baby Room will be singing "Mary, Mary quite contrary".

Five Little Speckled Frogs.

Five little speckled frogs sat on a speckled log eating some most delicious bugs yum yum.

One jumped into a pool where it was nice and cool, then there was 4 green speckled frogs glub glub.

Four little speckled frogs...