



March Newsletter

Pre-School Room

The children in pre-school have been developing their Physical Skills and their Personal Social and Emotional Skills through taking part in group activities, such as group painting and building an obstacle course together. These type of activities develop team building and working together as well as turn taking. They have celebrated Valentines Day and learnt about caring for others and feelings. We have developed our Understanding of the World by talking about our families and talking about how we are all different and that we all have different eye colours, hair colour and skin colour and that it is okay to be different. We have also taken part in lots of Forest School activities and we have been for lots of walks in the local community.

Toddler Room

The children in the Toddler room have been developing their Communication and Language Skills through small world play in the tuff tray, through introducing new vocabulary, asking questions and modelling language. We have also taken part in lots of baking activities and introduced mathematical language such as more and less and measurements. We have developed our gross motor skills playing with the playdough by squashing and squeezing it.

Baby Room

In the Baby room the children have been developing their physical skills through exploring different textures in the tuff tray and using their fine motor skills to grasp and feel the textures. They have used equipment in the water and sand trays to scoop and pour. They have enjoyed playing on the slide climbing up and down the steps as well as crawling through the tunnel and developing coordination skills.

Important Dates

World Book Day 2nd March

Red Nose Day 17th March

St Patrick's Day 17th march

Mother Day 19th March

Book & Rhyme of the month

During March the children in pre school will be reading "Monkey Puzzle" by Julia Donaldson.
The Toddler Room will be reading "The Tiger Who Came To Tea".
The Baby Room will be singing "Five Little Speckled Frogs".

Opening Times

Please could we remind you that the nursery opening time is 8.00am. We do also offer a 7.30am start option. The numbers for this are limited and charged at £4 per session. If you would like to book the early starts then please speak to Claire

Toys from home

Please could we ask that children do not bring in toys from home to the nursery. We would hate for them to get lost and there of lots of lovely toys in the nursery for them.

Breakfast

Breakfast is served every morning from 8am until 8.50am and the children have until 9am to eat their breakfast. If you require breakfast for your child please ensure that you arrive before 8.50am. Thank you.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March with a dressing up day. Come dressed up as your favourite story book character.

Red Nose Day

This year we will be taking part in Red Nose Day on Friday 17th March. We will taking part in lots of fun activities and raising money for such a brilliant cause. Don't forget your coins for the bucket!

Easter

Reminder the nursery will be closed on Good Friday 7th April and Easter Monday 10th April .

Birthdays

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| Ava 2nd | Louie J 26th |
| Thomas 3rd | Thanos 26th |
| Bonnie B 8th | |
| Charlotte 16th | |
| Jack 16th | |

Staffing

We would like to welcome Rachel to the team. She will joining us on the 6th March and has many years experience working in childcare.



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Things to do at home this month

Pre-School

The children in the Pre-School room will be developing their Understanding of The World through learning about Springtime. You can develop this skill at home by going for a walk and looking for signs of spring. Talk about what you can see. Can you spot any flowers growing? What is the weather like? Did you see any animals? You could take a photo or draw a picture of what you see on your spring walk. Look for spring flowers and draw pictures of them, talking about the different shapes and colours. We will be sending a paper bag for you to collect items that are a sign of springtime. You could bake chocolate nest buns using cornflakes and use the children's mathematical skills to measure the ingredients. You can talk about baby animals and see if you can see any in the fields.

Toddler room

The children in the Toddler room will be focusing on their Communication and Language Skills and their Personal, Social and Emotional Development. You can encourage language development at home through reading books and asking questions about what they see in the pictures. Sing the rhyme of the month and miss out a word so that your child can fill in the missing word, this encourages their listening skills. Play ball games outside passing the ball backwards and forwards to one another to encourage turn taking and waiting. You could also play table top games to further encourage turn taking and waiting. You can go for a walk and talk about all the different sounds that your child can hear so that they are learning to distinguish sounds.

Baby Room

The Babies will be developing their Communication and Language Skills through the topic of Springtime. You can take part at home by looking at books with animals in and making the noises of the animals encouraging your child to copy the noise. You can also sing nursery rhymes, such as five little ducks and encourage your child to sing along. When out on a walk talk about the signs of Spring such as the flowers or leaves growing on the trees and introduce new vocabulary. You could play with a small world farm and introduce a narrative into the play such as "the sheep are eating the grass" You could also spot any animals in the fields round and about if out on a walk.

Five Little Speckled Frogs.

Five little speckled frogs
Sat on a speckled log
Eating some most delicious bugs.
YUM! YUM!
One jumped into the pool,
Where it was nice and cool,
Now there are four green speckled
frogs!
GLUB! GLUB!

Next Month

During April the pre-school room children will be reading the book "The Hungry Caterpillar" and they will singing the song "Five Little Speckled Frogs".

The Toddler Room will be reading "The Hungry Caterpillar" and singing "Five Little Ducks".

The Baby room will be singing the rhyme "Five Little Ducks".

Five Little Ducks

*Five little ducks
Went out one day
Over the hills and far away
Mother duck said
"Quack, quack, quack, quack"
But only four little ducks came back.*

*Four little ducks
Went out one day
Over the hills and far away
Mother duck said
"Quack, quack, quack, quack."
But only three little ducks came
back.*