



May Newsletter

Pre-School Room

The children in preschool have been learning about Spring. We have developed our physical skills by playing with playdough and making chicks out of it. This activity also develops our mathematical skills through talking about size and how many different body parts we need to add such as how many eyes? We extended this learning by talking about animals on the farm and what their babies are called. We talked about Spring flowers and studied them by drawing real life pictures and taking part in a transient art activity creating flowers using loose parts. We also talked about Easter and had fun taking part in an Easter Egg hunt as well as Egg and Spoon Races. We planted seeds that will hopefully grow into beautiful flowers and talked about how seeds grow.

Toddler Room

The toddlers have also been focusing on Spring. We had lots of fun finding natural items and made collages using sticks and we also created spring animal pictures. We enjoyed making bread and used our mathematical skills to measure out the ingredients and learn new mathematical language. We have enjoyed messy play and developing our sensory skills by playing in the tuff tray with farm animals as well as with shaving foam and shampoo mixing them together. We have talked about Easter and decorated Easter Eggs and created chick pictures.

Baby Room

The babies have been focusing on the weather. We have had fun playing outside in the sunshine. We enjoyed splashing in the puddles and looking at the flowers. We have taken part in lots of sensory play to develop our physical skills including playing with the animals in the shaving foam and coloured rice. We have explored the sand and the mud. We also had lots of fun painting with the body paints and exploring what the paint feels like.

Important Dates

**May Day Bank Holiday
2nd May—Nursery
Closed**

**Spring Bank Holiday 2nd
and 3rd June—Nursery
Closed.**

EID 3rd May

Book & Rhyme of the month

Preschool: "Peace at Last" by Jill Murphy

Toddler Room: "Goldilocks and the Three Bears".
Singing Goldilocks

Baby Room: "Miss Polly had a Dolly".

Jubilee Celebrations

We will be celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee on Wednesday 1st June by holding Afternoon Tea. We would like to invite your child if they attend that day to dress up in their party clothes to help us celebrate. We would also like to remind you that the nursery will be closed on the Bank Holidays Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June.

School Carpark

Please could we remind parents that they must only use the school car park between the hours of 7.30am and 8.15am and after 4.00pm. This is so that the school can allow pupils and parents to access the school safely.

Spare Clothes

We are running low on some of our spare clothes. If you have any of our nursery spares please could we kindly ask for them to be returned to nursery.

Sun Cream and Sun Hats

We have had a number of lovely sunny days already this year, so once again we would like to remind all parents/carers of the importance of providing sun cream and sun hats for your child/children. We are not permitted to use any creams other than those provided by parents/carers. We want all children to be able to take advantage of every bit of good weather and sunshine by being outdoors.

Birthdays

Emilie-Rose 7th
Pippa -21st
Samuel 23rd

Staff

We would like to welcome Emma and Georgina who have joined the team. Emma is level 3 qualified and will be working throughout the nursery. Georgina is also level 3 qualified and will be working with the after school children.



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Things to do at home this month

Pre-School

The Pre school will be learning about sounds throughout the month of May. You can take part at home in listening activities, such as going on a walk and listening to the different sounds and identifying them. You can also do this activity indoors, identifying the different sounds you can hear around the house.

Play the game 'I Hear with My Little Ear'. Take it in turns to imitate the sound of something and guess what makes that sound. You could imitate the sounds of things found around your house, like a clock or a telephone, or of recognisable animals such as a cat or dog.

Toddler room

The toddlers are reading the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears and you can join in at home by reading the story and talking to your child about their favourite parts of the story. You can ask them to identify the characters such as which one's the Daddy Bear?

The story of Goldilocks is a perfect way to introduce the concept of size to your child by talking about the size of the Bears and the chairs. You can also use the story to talk about following the rules and stranger danger. You could also make porridge with for breakfast and add different items to it such as blueberries or honey. You can talk about what your child's favourite breakfast cereal is. You can go for a walk and pretend to be on a Bear Hunt. Look for flowers and identify different types of flowers and what colours they are.

Baby Room

The baby room are going to be focusing on animals throughout May. You can take part at home and look at books with animals in, such as farm animals and ask your child to point to the animal you name. You can introduce the animal sounds to your child such as "what noise does a sheep make?" You can sing songs with rhymes in such as Old Macdonald or Five Little Ducks. You can add toy animals to bath time play and count them. You can read the story "Dear Zoo" and talk about the different animals in the story and where they live. You can enjoy the lovely weather and go for a walk and look for different animals when out and about.

Miss Polly had a Dolly

Miss Polly had a dolly who was sick, sick, sick.
So she phoned for the doctor to be quick, quick, quick.
The doctor came with his bag and his hat
And he knocked at the door with a rat-a-tat-tat.
He looked at the dolly and he shook his head
And he said "Miss Polly, put her straight to bed!"
He wrote on a paper for a pill, pill, pill
"I'll be back in the morning yes I will, will, will."

Next Month

During June the Preschool children will be reading "My Dad is Brilliant" by Nick Butterworth.

The Toddler Room will be reading "The Gruffalo" by Julia Donaldson.

The Baby Room will be singing the rhyme "Ring a Ring a Roses".

When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears,
Oh what did her two eyes see?
A bowl that was huge,
A bowl that was small,
A bowl that was tiny and that was all,
She counted them: one, two, three.

When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears,
Oh what did her two eyes see?
A chair that was huge,
A chair that was small,
A chair that was tiny and that was all,
She counted them: one, two, three.

When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears,
Oh what did her two eyes see?
A bed that was huge,
A bed that was small,
A bed that was tiny and that was all,
She counted them: one, two, three.

When Goldilocks ran from the house of the bears,
Oh what did her two eyes see?
A bear that was huge,
A bear that was small,
A bear that was tiny and that was all,
They growled at her: grr, grr, grr!