

# **September Newsletter**

## Pre-School Room

Throughout August the Preschool children have taken part in various activities based on themes, such as Beach Week, in which they learnt about saving the turtles and taking care of the oceans. They have also taken part in Forest School Week and undertaken den building activities and made wooden spoon puppets. They have used their imaginations to create models made out of junk and to make jewellery using beads.

They have also taken part in Safari Week and explored different jungle animals in the safari tuff tray and learnt about patterns of animals and camouflage.

We have also taken part in Space Week and learnt about the names of the different planets in the solar systems.

## Toddler Room

This month we have had lots of fun learning about the beach. We have used shells in the sand and water and talked about fish and different sea animals. We have also used shells in the playdough and created sea creatures.

We also played with the safari animals in the tuff tray using different animals and textures to create different habitats.

They enjoyed taking part in sensory activities such as playing in gloop.

## Baby Room

The babies have been learning about different colours by playing at the light table and talking about the colours they can see.

They have also been learning about textures. They have explored different textures in the sensory tray and developed their fine motor skills.

We also enjoyed going for walks to the park , helping to develop our physical skills.

## Important Dates

13th Sept - Baby and Toddler Room Parents Evening.

20th Sept - Pre-school Parents Evening.

26th Sept - Breakfasts from around the world

27th Sept - Photograph Day

## Book & Rhyme of the month Preschool: "The Lion Inside" by

Rachel Bright. Rhyme: Dingle Dangle Scarecrow Toddlers: "Wimpy Shrimpy" by Matt Buckingham. Rhyme: Dingle Dangle Scarecrow

Babies: One little leaf

## Birthdays Finley 17th Toby 22nd Jenson 29th

## Staff Changes

We would like to welcome Jenny Crossley and Kelly West to the team. Kelly has previously worked with us and has many years experience as a level three practitioner. Jenny comes to us from another Early Years setting and has a number of years experience as a level 2 practitioner. She will be studying for her level 3 qualification at Toy Box.

#### Calpol

Please be aware that if your child is unwell and unable to take part in normal activities and requires Calpol/ lbuprofen to do so, then they should not attend the setting. A temperature indicates that your child is fighting an infection and medication can mask the temperature. If your child has been advised by a GP to take calpol alongside any other medication, a medication form will need to be filled in. If you need to give your child a dose of calpol after they have had one of their immunization vaccines, then it is fine for them to attend the nursery.

School Gates A reminder that when the school reopens on Tuesday 5th September, the school gates will be closed between the hours of 8.15am and 4.30pm. Please remember that the during these hours, the car park is for school staff, Toy Box staff and SOS staff only. Also please remember that parking on the yellow zigzags and at the bottom of the school drive is prohibied. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Food From Home

Please can we ask that no food is brought from home (including fruit). We have children that suffer from allergies and have strict measures in place to prevent reactions. We follow a sugar smart menu that supports healthy eating and good oral health ensuring that your child has healthy balanced meals with plenty of fruit and vegetables whilst at the nursery.

## Photographer

The photographer will be coming to nursery on Wednesday 27th September.

If your child/children do not normally attend nursery on that day and you would like them to have their photo taken, then please see Claire to arrange an appointment for you. Appointments can be arranged from 9.00am.

If you would like siblings to attend, appointments will start from 8.00am before school starts.



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## Things to do at home this month

## Pre-School

The children in the pre school room are going to be learning about All About Me during September. At home you can talk about how we are all different by talking about eye, hair and skin colour. You can encourage your child to draw a picture of themselves asking them to choose the correct eye and hair colours. You could talk about how different families are made up and talk about your own families. Ask your child about their favourite meals and get them to help you make them. You colud also talk about your child's favourite colours and paint a picture using them.

## **Toddler room**

The children in the toddler room are also going to talking about the theme All About Me. You can join in at home by looking in a mirror and talking about hair colour and eye colour and the length of their hair.

You could make your child's favourite biscuits together and bake them.

Measure your child and talk about how tall they are growing and keep measuring how big they are getting. You can also ask your child about their favourite colour and draw pictures using these.

## Baby Room

The babies are going to be taking part in activities focusing on Autumn. At home you could take part by going for walks and looking for early signs of Autumn such as the leaves changing colour.

You can make playdough and add different scents to it such as ginger and cinnamon (ask a member of staff if you need the recipe) You can also look at books with an Autumn theme such as "Because of an Acorn" and introduce new vocabulary such as oak and acorn.

## Incy Wincey Spider

Incy Wincey spider climbing up the spout, Down came the rain and washed the spider out.

Out came the sunshine and dried up all the rain.

And Incy Wincey spider climbed up the spout again.

## Next Month

During October **The Pre School** children will be reading "Owl Babies" by Martin Wardell and singing "Five Little Leaves".

The Toddler Room will be reading "Room On the Broom" by Julia Donaldson and singing "Five Little Leaves".

The Baby Room will be singing "Incy Wincey Spider".

## **Five Little Leaves**

Five little leaves so bright and gay, (hold up 5 fingers) Were dancing on a tree one day. (wiggle fingers) The wind came blowing through the town, (hold hands around mouth and blow) One leaf came tumbling down (roll hands downward). Repeat the rhyme with 4 leaves, 3 leaves, 2 ...