

September Newsletter

Dear All,

September shows a change in weather as we start to feel the chills and see the long lasting rain of Autumn. The weather also brings with it a variety of illnesses that seems to be sweeping through both staff and children, so we have had some new friends come and help us at nursery. Get well soon!



In September the toddler room has had another visit from some parents. They talked to us about the Olympics and Paralympics, we looked at a globe to see the different countries and saw pictures of the different sports. The children were particularly interested in the Paralympics participants and asked lots of questions throughout the rest of the week. During the parents visit the children then went on to make some flags and gold medals of their own.



We had a great time!
Thank you for visiting Gemma and Kathryn!

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The Toddler room still continues to take advantage of the easy access to the garden even in the wetter and colder weather. Children enjoyed playing in the mud kitchen, being little chefs cooking cakes, pancakes and making lots of teas for the staff, and of course getting very, very dirty!

It was harvest time so the Toddlers again took to the outside on a mission this month, to dig up the growing potatoes that were planted in the garden last spring. They had fun comparing the different sizes and counting how many there were, not to mention also getting muddy and dirty yet again.

The Toddlers were very excited this month as we received some new toys from the Sainsbury's Active Kids. They are fantastic! And are all loved. The children received some balancing blocks which enables them to build their own balancing road. We also got some pom poms, hand ribbons, a tent, and a picture projector that lets us see the stars, planets and lots of other pictures of space.





As always an important part of our month continues on with lots of messy play! The children did painting, shaving foam, mouldable soap, cornflour and lots of bubbles and more.

The Baby Room have also continued to keep busy this month. They have not completely let the weather get the best of them as they continued to visit the garden often and had lots of sand and water play.



The Babies have done lots of sticking activities getting their imagination going along with those fine motor skills as they used leaves, different coloured tissue paper and letters.



The Babies sensory messy play also continues throughout September on a daily basis. Some of the favourites being cornflour and shaving foam as the babies enjoyed filling up containers and emptying them out again using their hands to spread it around. Very Messy!



The older babies have also been enjoying dressing up and playing with the dolls and buggies getting imaginative in their role play games.



The baby room have received some gifts this month too. A particular very much loved one, is the indoor see-saw which is very popular and all the babies big and small enjoy it.

The baby room also enjoy their singing time everyday shortly before lunch. We make a big circle and sing some of our favourite songs and do some actions to go with them.

Next Month both our rooms, Babies and Toddlers, plan to do lots of activities based on Halloween. They will be doing painting, sticking etc. to make spiders, bats, witches, cats, pumpkins, ghosts and more. The staff will work hard to decorate the room with the children's work in time for the day.

The Toddler Room would like to welcome **Theodore**.

The Toddlers would also like to welcome **Elizabeth** who just moved down from the baby room.

We would also like to say **Happy Birthday** to **Charlotte** who turned **2** this September.

The Baby room would like to welcome **Emilia**, **William** and **Elodie** who joined us this month.

Some final notes:

Parent forum took place on the last Thursday of September. We had a lot of parents attending. The summary of the forum will be written up and will be put onto the Facebook page run by Jules.

Toddlers who have homework bags, please bring them into nursery when the children attend so that homework can be given out.

If your child's 2-year health check is coming up, please inform your child's key worker as they also have a 2-year assessment that can be taken along with you to help aid the health visitor.

The weather is changing now please ensure children are dressed warmly and bring in coats, waterproofs, wellies so they can continue to enjoy the garden as the weather changes.

A reminder to parents, if you would like a detailed feedback from the staff please be on time or we will be unable to do so. In which case please feel free to ask the staff about your child's day the following day they are in Nursery.

Please be aware of the policy regarding the prescribed medicines and calpol. When administering calpol a phone call to the parents/carers will first be made and then the child will need to be picked up. Medications need to have the child's name on them and be prescribed by a doctor.

We would also like to remind you that 48 hours from the last incident of any sickness or diarrhoea is the exclusion time.

Please ensure your child has plenty of change of clothes as mud is a more likely conclusion to the outside play as the weather grows wetter. And for those little toddlers who are potty training, please ensure there are plenty of change of clothes because accidents do occur.

The baby room would also like to mention that Breakfast Time does start at 8.40am so please be on time if you wish your child to participate. The same goes for lunch which starts at 11:45am and tea which is at 4:45pm.

We would just like to say a big THANK YOU! too all our parents who have contributed donations for the children's treasure baskets and activities and are still happy to accept any other donations.

REMINDERS:

- There are still some family photos missing from our growing displays. Please bring in/ email pictures as soon as possible. And for those who now have a new member to their family we would enjoy adding an updated photo.
- If you are running late or your child will not be attending Nursery or will be leaving early, please let us know ASAP.
- Please remember to sign your child in/out on the register by the entrance of each room.
- When given your child's 'Learning Journey' folder for review, please remember to return on your child's next attending day. We also appreciate the comments that have been added. PLEASE again note the importance of returning the folder when your child attends nursery. The folder must be present on the premises of the nursery the same days that your children attend. We may need to ask you to return home and get it, if it has been forgotten.
- Please label your child's clothing and belongings.