## Newsletter – July 2023



Dear Parents,

**WELCOME** to all our new starters to the nursery. We have plenty of activities planned for you and your new friends here.

'All About Me and The World Around Us'

Our theme for the following month is going to be, 'All About Me and The World Around Us' We will be talking about family and friends who are important to us as well as looking at all our favourite things. Children in the Creative Room will be making their own passports to take home with

them and be discussing which job roles we would like to take on when we are older. At the end of the month, the children will be exploring the world, investigating the different homes that people live in and researching the hot and cold countries everywhere.

## People Who Help Us Visits

We have to say a huge thank you to all of the different occupations that came to visit during our previous topic. We had exciting visits from Newark Fire Brigade, Newark Police as well as a surgical nurse from Newark Hospital. We are hoping to get a dentist to come and speak to the children in the upcoming weeks.

<u>Teddy Bears Picnics</u> – Our Teddy Bears Picnics for the children leaving to go to school were a great success. We had teachers visit from, John Hunt, Chuter Ede and Sir Donald Bailey Academy. It was lovely to see the children interact with their new teachers and show them off to their friends.





## Ofsted - June 2023

At the beginning of June we had our Ofsted inspection. We are pleased to confirm that we received a 'Good,' grading, with, 'Children's

communication and language development being supported well,' as well as 'independence being a high priority.'

<u>Thank you</u> - We would like to say a huge thank you to Gracie's Daddy, James, who gave us an exciting box filled with goodies. It included lots of stickers and colouring sheets to keep us going for a long time.









<u>Father's Day</u> - We hope that you all enjoyed the cards that your children sent home. They had lots of fun making them.

<u>Employee of the Month</u>: Our star staff member of the month is Megan the cook, for doing a fab job in the kitchen. She has developed her skills very well and over the last few months and has made lots of yummy dinners bringing in new ideas and helping us to design the new Summer Menu.



<u>Thank you Gifts</u>— Should your child be leaving us this summer to go to school, it would be lovely if gifts given are made for all staff in the setting. We know that you would probably like to thank individual staff, but a group gift as we are a team or a donation is very much appreciated for the staff night out. Should you wish the donation could be put towards extra new equipment for the children.

## **Leavers Party**

The Leaver's Party for the children who are starting school in September is on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. If your child is leaving us and is not in on the day, then they can be brought in for the party 1.30pm - 3.30pm so all have a lovely afternoon with their friends. The theme this year is Pirates and Princesses!



<u>Dates for your Diary</u> – parent volunteers would be welcome & appreciated on some of these short trips please.

- 6<sup>th</sup> July Belton House Preschool and older Explorer children.
- 7<sup>th</sup> July Beanblock Café Story Time
- 11<sup>th</sup> July To the Oaks for group singing
- 12<sup>th</sup> July Train ride to Collingham and picnic in the play park— 2 parents needed.
- 20<sup>th</sup> July Local bus ride in to Newark Sand Park, market place and castle!
- 21<sup>st</sup> July Pre-School Leaver's Party Pirates and Princesses
- 21<sup>st</sup> July Last day of Education funding.
- 25<sup>th</sup> July Train ride to Collingham & picnic in the play park— 2 parents needed.

<u>Save a Baby's Life Training</u> – If you are interested in a 'Save a Baby's Life' workshop then please do ask for more information or see at the poster on the front door.

Hawtonville Children's Centre – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July – 11am-12pm.

Attached is information on the proposed Early Years Funding for April 2024.

We wish all the children a lovely summer and settle in to their new school with their new friends quickly. Don't for get us, so do pop back in September wearing your new uniform, for us all to see!