

Newsletter - June 2020



Dear Parents,

We would like to **WELCOME** Roux, Emily and Nora who joined us in May. We hope that they have lots of fun joining in with the activities and they make many new friends.

We wish Sophie Tear best wishes as she is now on maternity leave, with her baby due in early August. Layla Wentworth has taken this extra role and is now the Room Lead working with the children in the Discovery Room within a group 'bubble'.

A big thank you to everyone who has been so helpful and patient, while we have been getting the children back into the setting. Parents have been very understanding, waiting at the social distance markers outside the nursery before they are able to come in and allowing us to clean everything before the next person comes along. All rooms are now within their, 'bubbles,' with children being allocated into groups with a key person. All toys and equipment are cleaned and then done again after every use. Plenty of hand washing continues throughout the day with the children encouraged to sing out loud to help them wash for the 20 seconds.

We understand that this is a difficult time for everyone and we appreciate the efforts that you have all gone to.

If you are looking for your child to return to nursery, please contact us so that we are able to rearrange this for you.

Butterflies

All of the children have had great fun watching our caterpillars develop and grow. We saw them turn into cocoons and then we moved them into their special garden. We gave them leaves and sugar water to help them to feed when they hatched. Once they were butterflies we let them go into the garden. We were able to hold them in the palms of our hand before they flew off into the trees.



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Did you see?

Did you see us in the Advertiser on the 4th of June? We had a lovely piece written about what you have all been up to at home while you have been off. We even made the front page! It showed you all enjoying your daily walks, learning to ride your bikes and helping to bake. See attached



Keeping Safe

We know that the weather has recently changed, but if your child comes into nursery on a warmer day please could you send them in with a labelled hat, with sun cream already applied. **Thankyou.**



Chicks

Our chicks have been given a lovely forever home. Spaghetti and Noodle turned out to be cockerels, so they would have kept the neighbours awake. They are having a great time in their new home.



Keeping busy at home

A big thankyou to you all for sending in pictures of what you are doing at home. The latest winners of our Fruit and Vegetable Hampers has been Sierra and Layla for washing their hands and singing to our special song. They were fantastic. After that we then gave the Creative Room the challenge of looking for letters in the environment. This was won by Ben. A huge **Well Done** for the ones that you found. We also asked for children in the Explorer Room to find as many numbers as they could around them at home and out on walks. Teddy was our winner, finding them everywhere. **Well Done**. Your prize is in the post.



The next challenge for everyone is to create a masterpiece using natural resources that you may find in your garden or while out on a walk. We have already had a picture sent in using pistachio shells to make a flower. Please keep them coming for us all to see.

This also helps to keep the children's development profiles going. It is lovely to see what everyone is up to and that you are still reaching important milestones.

Planning

Our theme for this term is All About Me. So far we have had great fun talking about our families, friends and some of our favourite things. We will be continuing to look at lots of different topics around this, including our family trees, pictures from home and what we would like to be when we are older.



Understanding Children's Mental Health

Ten of our staff have undertaken over the last three months the course on 'Understanding Children's Mental Health' Level 2, and completed within record time. Well done for cracking on and gaining another qualification.

Thank you to all our staff who were able and willing to keep the nursery running over the last few months, your hard work and ability to adapt to the changes has been great, and very much appreciated .

