

NURSERY NEWS

NOVEMBER 2017



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

We have seen a few new faces at nursery over the last month. We would like to welcome you all to Honey Pot Aigburth & hope you enjoy being part of our Honey Pot family. We have been very busy again celebrating a variety of events and getting involved in some fantastic activities! We were very lucky to have a dance session with MOVEMA as well as a Halloween themed visit from Zoolab; the children were very brave touching and holding the different creepy animals including a giant snail and a snake! We celebrated world animal day and there were certainly a lot of animals appearing around the nursery including a camel and a penguin! We celebrated the festivals Sukkot and Diwali making dens, rangoli patterns and exploring light. The children experienced a variety of different textures and foods for World Food day & we received lots of donations for us to deliver to the local food bank. We learnt about and celebrated Egypt with some children dressing up as ancient Egyptians whilst some turned themselves into mummies with their excellent bandage wrapping skills! Some of our pre-school children enjoyed pumpkin picking ready for Halloween and Mums joined us for a spooky slimy Halloween themed messy play session! We finished off the month dressing up in some spooky & ghastly costumes for Halloween! Phew! What a busy month!!

COMING UP THIS MONTH

UPCOMING EVENTS

2nd November – Photo Day – Parents are welcome to bring in a change of clothes for their child/ren to change into to have their photo taken.

3rd November – Pyjama Day in aid of the lullaby trust. We will also be making our own firework creations and learning about guy fawkes.

6th – 12th November – Bake it for babies – We will be doing lots of baking & holding a cake sale throughout the week in aid of the lullaby trust, parents are welcome to donate their creations too!

10th November – We will be learning about armistice day & remembrance Sunday.

13th – 17th November – Children in need week, please look out for fundraising events happening around the nursery.

13th November – World Kindness Day

17th November – Wear spots for Children in Need, please bring a donation.

23rd November – American thanksgiving

27th November – Turkey Day – Children can come to the nursery in themed dress or the colours of the Turkish flag. We will also be trying some yummy Turkish cuisine!

29th November – PPA meeting 6.15pm – 7.15pm, all parents welcome!

30th November – St. Andrews Day

We will be holding development reviews throughout November, please see your child/ren's key person to make an appointment.

Fatima will be on annual leave from 20th -22nd November, Sarah will be the manager on duty in her absence.

Check out our blog for photos of events!

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STAFF INFORMATION

STAFF CHANGES

Recently we said goodbye to Sara who decided to pursue her teaching career. We wish her lots of luck.

We currently have Chloe who is studying at John Moores University on a long-term placement in pre-school & Ffion who is studying her level 2 childcare qualification with Liverpool city college, we hope they enjoy their experience with us at Honey Pot.

We also welcome Rebecca to our Honey Pot Aigburth team, she will be based in our Honey Bees room with Rachel & Sarah-Louise. We hope you will join us all in making our new faces feel very welcome here.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

RACHEL ANDREWS

Rachel gives 100% consistently and has grown in confidence in her room leader role. Rachel strives to provide the best for her room and children in her care and will always help others. We have received many lovely positive comments and thanks from parents for Rachel's hard work. Well done!

ROOM OF THE MONTH

HONEY BEES

Rachel & Sarah-Louise have worked very well to give the children consistency and new experiences. They always ensure they celebrate all upcoming events in nursery for the children to experience new things, they ensure that their work is up to date & constantly involve parents in all that they do. They have excellent relationships with parents and I receive endless amounts of positive feedback for them. Well done girls!

CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

DATA ANALYSIS OCTOBER 2017

Overall the nursery's strongest areas of development are people & communities, moving & handling & technology. Our identified areas for improvement are speaking, understanding, writing & numbers.

You will see parent challenges set by your child/ren's room & management in support of the areas for improvement.

DATA ANALYSIS NEXT DUE FEBRUARY 2018

REMINDERS

Please can parents ensure that they are providing spare clothes for their children. Some of our rooms have lost property boxes located outside them, please take a look through if you have misplaced anything. Remember to update your eyLog app regularly so you can fully access all of the features.

Don't forget about our nursery app which sends out useful reminders to parents as well as some other great features including parent questionnaires & links to the website and blog.

Please can I remind you all about our question jars and feedback postbox in the entrance area, we appreciate all feedback we receive.

STAFF TRAINING

All staff recently attended training on effective displays and interactions with & teaching children. Sarah will be attending brain development training & is studying for her SENCo award. All staff will be attending a variety of training provided by Ashley our training & quality manager.

MESSAGE FROM CENTRAL SUPPORT

"We have just opened our fantastic new training facilities at our new Wavertree site. The training room will be used to train Honey Pot staff and those from other nurseries. Our staff will be able to access even more training now which will have a positive impact on their practices in the nurseries!"

*Fatima & Sarah
Management Team x*

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