

NURSERY NEWS



SEPTEMBER 2019



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

This month we bid a fond farewell to the last of our children leaving for school. We will miss them very much & wish them the best of luck for their new adventure in their new schools!!

August was also a very busy month with welcoming new children to the setting for settling in sessions ahead of their first day in nursery. We hope they all enjoyed them & are very excited to be welcoming new children to the setting. Also, lots of the children have moved to their new rooms & have all settled in very well!!

We celebrated international cat & dog day. The children learnt about the different types of dogs & cats & even talked about their pets at home & how we look after them.

We also celebrated world photos day. The children took turns at taking photos of themselves & perfecting their poses! We also had a go at doing self-portraits!

Some of our pre-school children enjoyed forest school & were very excited to have their parents join them for the last session. They enjoyed a Gruffalo hunt, hide & seek and so much more in the forest!

We also had a Hawaii beach day to raise funds for Liverpool Sunflowers! The children came dressed in their best beach gear & grass skirts! We did hula dancing & even tried to limbo! We also enjoyed a delicious Hawaiian themed menu! We successfully raised £55.00, thanks to everyone who contributed.

NEW STARTERS

We welcome the following children & their families this month:

Baby Bees – Harlow, Mason, Rose, Claudia

Honey Bees – Anais, Lola, Theo F, Lucas, Cillian

Busy Bees – Oscar, Theo M, Lucy, Noah, Leila, Jerry

Worker Bees – Stanley, Chloe, Lily

COMING UP THIS MONTH

- 1st – Al Hirja/Muharram – Muslim New Year
- 2nd to the 6th – Great fire of London – The children will be learning about this topic & fire safety
- 5th – International day of charity
- 7th – National literacy day – Children are welcome to bring in their favourite book to share & we will be focusing on mark making & writing
- 13th – Roald Dahl day – Children are welcome to come to nursery dressed as a character from Roald Dahl's books. They will also enjoy a themed menu
- 14th – World first aid day
- 15th – International day of democracy
- 19th – Talk like a pirate day – Children are welcome to come to nursery dressed as a pirate, arrr!
- 20th – Genes for Jeans day – Children are welcome to come to nursery dressed in jeans for this cause
- 23rd – Recycling week – We will be focusing on recycling & looking after our environment
- 26th – European day of languages – We will be exploring different languages from countries across Europe.
- 27th – We will be holding a coffee morning for Macmillan. Parents are welcome to donate cakes for this cause & welcome to pop in for a cuppa & slice of cake from 9.30am.

[Check out our blog for photos of events!](#)

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BIRTHDAYS

Baby Bees:

Holly's birthday is on the 3rd

Honey Bees:

Cillian's birthday is on the 18th

Busy Bees:

Nell's birthday is on the 5th

Summer's birthday is on the 10th

Annie's birthday is on the 27th

Ivy's birthday is on the 27th

Charlotte's birthday is on the 27th

Worker Bees:

Lily's birthday is on the 3rd

Ruby Ann's birthday is on the 23rd

Staff:

Sarah-Lou's birthday is on the 18th



ROOM NEWS

BABY BEES



Baby Bees have been very busy welcoming new children to the setting ready for September. They have also been preparing the children for their moves to Honey & Busy Bees.

The children have engaged in lots of messy & sensory play activities, enabling them to explore different textures and objects with their key person. They also celebrated Hawaii day, exploring sand dough and making & decorating their own seashells as well as hula dancing to Hawaiian music!

HONEY BEES



Honey Bees have been busy welcoming new children to the setting & also preparing children for their move to Busy Bees room.

They enjoyed activities for marine week where they had themed water play, exploring the different types of marine life & they also made their own fish by decorating paper plates.

They also enjoyed dressing up for Hawaii day & exploring a beach themed sand play & hula dancing!

ROOM NEWS

BUSY BEES



Busy Bees welcomed many children to the room from Baby & Honey bees & they have settled in brilliantly! They also welcomed two new children to the setting Ruby & Joel.

They have been focusing on naming & recognizing colours with some lovely activities including pom pom sorting & ice cube painting. They have been exploring play dough to develop their fine motor skills, doing lots of moulding & squeezing & having a dough disco!! They have also been focusing on the stories 'We're going on a bear hunt' & 'the very hungry caterpillar' & have been engaging in themed activities related to this.

WORKER BEES



Workers Bees have been preparing our school leavers for their new adventure at school. They have engaged in lots of phonics and writing activities.

Worker Bees have also been welcoming new children to the room during settling in sessions & working very hard to help children settle in who have moved from Busy Bees room.

The children have engaged in lots of number themed activities including a number hunt in the sand & matching quantities to numbers with pom poms.

They have also been exploring loose parts play and getting creative with loose parts!

STAFF INFORMATION

Nicole is on annual leave 3rd to 17th September

Becky is on annual leave 6th September

Sarah-Louise is on annual leave 18th to 20th September

Michael is on annual leave 23rd to 27th September

Sarah is on annual leave 30th September to 1st October

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

SARAH

Sarah works hard consistently. Over the last month she has been without one of her regular staff members & has managed to maintain the smooth running of the room whilst welcoming new children to the room too! She has done all this whilst providing the children with lovely activities & experiences. She also worked very hard when stepping up to manage the setting whilst Fatima was on annual leave.

ROOM OF THE MONTH

BUSY BEES

Sarah & Michael have worked together brilliantly over the last month despite not having their third regular member of staff Zahra. The room is always well presented & the children are always engaged in lovely activities. They always provide a positive & fun atmosphere for the children. They have also worked brilliantly to welcome new children to the room & ensure they are settled.



STAFF TRAINING

Our staff will be attending a variety of training this month which is beneficial for their role including cultural capital, working with babies, working with toddlers, phonics, room leader training and understanding MARF referrals. Nicole, Abbie & Sarah-Lou continue to study for their Level 3 qualification & Adele continues to study for her level 2 qualification.



CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

MOST RECENT DATA ANALYSIS JUNE 2019

At our most recent analysis, noticeable progress was made in all areas of development across the whole nursery, including a 3% increase in progress in number and speaking. There was a 2% increase in progress in self-confidence & self-awareness in girls, a 2% increase in progress in understanding in boys. There was also a 50% increase in progress in speaking in EAL children and a 14% increase in progress in speaking in children with SEN.

We have recently updated an action of plan of what we intend to implement in order to support the children in progressing further. You will also see parent challenges set by your child/ren's room & management in support of this.

DATA ANALYSIS NEXT DUE OCTOBER 2019

REMINDERS

- * Can we remind parents that our opening hours are 8am until 6pm. Please ensure you arrive no later than 5.50pm to receive a full handover on your child's day. This also applies to half day sessions.
- * Can we reiterate to parents the importance of not letting other people into the setting. Please ensure that you close the door behind you when entering & exiting the setting.
- * If you request for your child to attend an extra session please can you ensure that the extra cost is paid before or on the day of attendance.
- * We suggest to parents to label their childrens' coats if possible, we have had a few occurrences where the wrong coat has been taken home & would like to avoid this if possible.
- * Just a reminder that we have a parents group on Facebook, please search **Honey Pot Aigburth Parents** to request to join.
- * Follow us on Twitter @hpnurseries
- * Follow us on Instagram @honeypotdaynursery
- * Follow us on Facebook @Honeypotnurseries



MESSAGE FROM CENTRAL SUPPORT

"We are pleased to inform you we have just recruited another Forest School leader called Karen Brenchley. Karen is joining our team in September and will work part time here with us. Karen is a qualified Forest School Teacher with plenty of knowledge and experience in the sector. The introduction of Karen will allow us to double the amount of Forest School sessions we can provide, meaning more of our children will access Forest School! If your child is due to start Forest school in the Autumn term you will be contacted shortly".



*Fatima, Sarah
& the Aigburth team x*

