

BUMBLE BEES

NEWSLETTER MAY 2018



FOCUS OF THE MONTH

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This month we would we will be focusing on providing a range of fun messy play activities for all children to take part in, furthering physical development and speech and language too!



COMING UP THIS MONTH

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 21st May – is our PPA event (parents as partners association). Please let the manager or staff know if you are planning on attending and if you require childcare or not.
- 21st May – marks the beginning of walk to nursery week.
- 25th May – Wesak. This is the celebration of the Buddha's birthday in the Buddhist faith

Check out our blog for photos of events!

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MONTHLY FOCUS

We are going to be focusing on lots of fun engaging activities, with a heavy focus on Listening and Attention, Reading and Numbers.

REMINDER

Can I please remind all parents to bring an unopened sun cream and a sun hat for your child please as the weather is starting to get warmer. Thank you!

STAFF INFORMATION



The Staff in Bumble Bees (left to right) are: Jamie-lea (Room Leader) Emily J, Emily Mc, Emily C and Charea.

Jamie – Lea is on annual leave w/c 30th April.

CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

All the children are progressing well in Bumble Bees. The children are all developing in the prime areas and meeting the age related expectations of the EYFS. We are really pleased with the children's progress so far, all our children within the Bumble bee room are doing as well as or better than the national average.

DATA ANALYSIS NEXT DUE JUNE/JULY 2018

ANY OTHER NEWS

We are currently changing our display boards and our fascination boards so have a look at them to see what we've been up to!

NURSERY APP AND EYLOG

Just to remind all parents to please check the nursery app and blog to see exciting pictures and keep you updated of any information and upcoming events. We would also love if you could send pictures in of your children to Eylog so we can see the fun things they get up to at home.

EXTRA ACTIVITIES

CATERPILLAR MUSIC

The children have had lots of fun with caterpillar music this month, Emma has been bringing story puppets in for the children to see, they have loved seeing the different animals she brings and getting involved with the singing and dancing, exploring with the musical instruments and bubbles.

PARENT CHALLENGE

We would like to challenge the parents to keep us updated on Eylog with pictures of the different progresses the children have been making at home.

*From Jamie-Lea,
Emily Jones, Emily
McKay, Charea &
Emily Campbell. X*

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BUSY BEES

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Cracker jacks Pajamas day Tuesday 1st may.
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- Please see our general newsletter for full list of upcoming dates

FOCUS OF THE MONTH

We are going to be focusing on all of our areas this month and enhancing them. In particular, we have been enhancing our home corner so if any parents have any old phones, or household items they are no longer using could they please bring them in as this will help to enhance the areas and promote children's development throughout a variety of areas of learning within the EYFS.

BIRTHDAYS

A big happy birthday to all the following children we hope you have a lovely birthday.

- 11th Annie O
- 14th Robert
- 18th Esmee
- 22nd Alys
- 29th Luca
- 31st Scarlett
- 31st Georgie

Check out our blog for photos of events!

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STAFF INFORMATION

There have been no staff changes in Busy Bees this month. Staff in Busy Bees are Jane, Beth and Erin. If you have any queries or questions please do not hesitate to speak to Jane the Room Leader. Jane does not work on a Friday so if have any queries please don't hesitate to speak to the girls in the room or Jenna our manager.

STAFF HOLIDAYS

- Erin is on annual leave on the 3rd and 4th of May and will return to nursery Monday 7th May. Erin then has 1 more day of annual leave on Friday 18th May.
- Beth is on annual leave on Monday 14th May and will return to work on Tuesday 15th May.

STAFF CHANGES

- There are no staff changes this month.

STAFF TRAINING

- All staff, staff meeting 30th April.
- Step up for 2's network meeting.

CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

DATA ANALYSIS MARCH 2018

Our strengths from our more recent data analysis for Busy Bees are; Self-confidence and self-awareness, Making relationships, Writing and Expressive Arts and Design

Our upcoming focusses from our recent data analysis for Busy Bees are; Speaking, Managing Feelings & Behaviour and Shape, Space & Measure.

DATA ANALYSIS NEXT DUE JUNE 2018

REMINDERS

- Please remember to bring a bag containing spare clothes.
- Please be reminded that the nursery closes at 6pm, please leave enough time to enter the building and receive a handover of your children's key person. Late fees will be issued to parents arriving after 6pm.

WEATHER CHANGING

Please can parents ensure their child has the appropriate clothing on as the weather is changing, please provide your child with a sunhat and an unopened bottle of sun cream whenever possible. You are more than welcome to leave a sun hat and sun cream at nursery if you prefer Thank you.

PARENT CHALLENGE

Can you please send some family photos in as we are making a family book so children can tell their friends who they live with helping those making relationships with others?

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ANY OTHER NEWS

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STAFF IN BUSY BEES



Staff left to right: Jane (Room Leader), Beth, Erin

them to see what we've been up to in March. We have been fortunate enough to have had work done on our back garden. We have lovely new small world outdoor resources and a new mud kitchen area being made and our story area enhanced. The children have been so excited to play outside! We have also had brand new indoor small world resources purchased by Julie the nursery owner!

EXTRA ACTIVITIES

We have Jumping Jacks who have now changed their day to a Friday! We have changed the day to ensure all children within the Busy Bee room get a chance to experience it.

(Jane, Erin and Beth)

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NURSERY NEWS

MAY 2018



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

April has seen a variety of weathers! We enjoyed spending time in the garden, taking part in water play outdoors during the lovely sunny weather we had recently. Our babies have benefitted from weekly walks using our four seater prams. Some of the children in Bumble Bees attended a sensory play session in Jakes sensory world. Our Busy Bees children enjoyed a visit to Croxteth Hall Farm where they had lots of fun and saw many different animals. Our Worker Bees children enjoyed a visit to the albert dock and the Maritime Museum. The children enjoyed learning about the history of Liverpool and it has sparked a new interest for many of them. Jenna Smith's next fascination board will be based around Liverpool and celebrating our lovely city and all it has to offer. We also had more new arrivals... baby caterpillars arrived and baby ladybird larvae. We are currently enjoying watching them grow and change!

COMING UP THIS MONTH

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12th May – Is international nurse day. We will be looking at the important role that nurses play in our community in a variety of ways. Through stories, role play and use of our interactive board
- 15th May- is world meditation day. Children will be encouraged to take part in their own meditation session.
- 15th May – is international day of families. Children will learn about a variety of family structures and celebrate each of them
- 15th May – marks the beginning of Christian Aid week. Children will be talking about good deeds and doing some of their own!
- 16th May – marks the beginning of Ramadan. Children will learn about the Islamic faith and about Ramadan.
 - 18th May – we will be celebrating the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle by talking about weddings, reading the scarecrows wedding and talking about the Royal family.
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STAFF INFORMATION

STAFF CHANGES

We welcome Sophie Kennedy this month. Sophie will be taking over from Chloe as bank staff. We also welcome Charea who is based in our baby room.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

JANE WEBB

Jane is an asset to our team here at Honey Pot Childwall. She has fantastic relationships with her key children and their families. Plenty of parents have mentioned Jane to me and commented on how brilliant she is with their child. Jane goes above and beyond in every aspect of her role and is very rarely off work. She really does give 110% every day. Jane is also very helpful to the management team. Thank you very much Jane!

ROOM OF THE MONTH

WORKER BEES

Worker Bees have been awarded room of the month this month. They have worked hard in making sure their learning environment is stimulating for the children and they've enhanced their areas of continuous provision to a very good standard. The team in Worker Bees work very hard day in and day out with the children in their key groups, providing stimulating and challenging activities for them and particularly helping the children due to leave for school this year by working on their school readiness. Thank you Worker Bees.

REMINDERS

- Remember to update your EyLog parent app regularly so you can fully access all of the features.
- Please be aware that children should be collected by 5.50pm in order to receive a handover with the staff. Children should be off the premises by 6pm.
- Have you downloaded our other Honey Pot App? Important information is given via this app. Just type into the app store 'honeypot nursery' to download it. This app also needs regular updating too. Notifications are posted at least twice a week, if you have the app but aren't receiving notifications, please see Jenna in the office who can fix this issue for you.
- Can all parents ensure that they have provided a bottle of unopened sun cream and a sunhat for their child to use in nursery.
- It is very important that all parents adhere to our exclusion periods if their children are unwell. This helps us to prevent the spread of infection around the setting. Thank you.
- Pre-school graduation is now booked for Saturday 28th July at our Wavertree site.
- Nursery will be closed on 7th and 28th May as these are bank holidays.

STAFF TRAINING

Effective Story Telling is being attended by Jenna Smith

Mathematics in the Early Years is being attended by Caitlin

Jane is attending the step up for 2's network meeting

EYFS 3 training is being delivered to the newer staff

Persona Doll training is being accessed by all pre-school staff

Inclusive practice and Diversity training is being accessed by Jamie Lea

Managing behaviour is being attended by Emily J

CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

DATA ANALYSIS MARCH 2018

We have a new set of data which was analysed March 18 and the results were as follows;

- All children are doing better than the national average in the following areas;
 - Expressive Arts and Design
 - The world
 - People and Communities
 - Shape, Space and Measure,
 - Writing
 - Reading
 - Self- confidence and self- awareness
- The girls have made rapid progress across most areas
- Children with SEN have made good progress across most areas.
- We need to focus on the progress of boys and those children claiming two year funding
- We need to focus on the following areas;
 - Technology
 - Numbers
 - Personal, Social and Emotional Development
 - Physical Development
 - Communication & Language

A full action plan has been made based on the findings from data analysis and activities and experiences planned to support development in these areas.

DATA ANALYSIS NEXT DUE June 2018

MESSAGE FROM CENTRAL SUPPORT

“We had a very successful spring term of staff training. Across the four nurseries, training has been accessed by our staff team 248 times! This has included all of our staff accessing paediatric first aid training. Our staff team now run on 100% paediatric first aid trained which enables us to apply for the Millie’s Mark accreditation. We will keep you posted on our progress!”

ANY OTHER NEWS

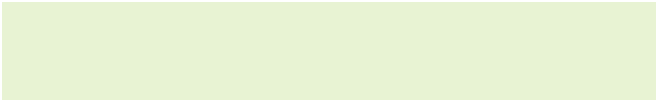
We are lucky to have had lots of new resources bought for us this month. Worker Bees and Busy Bees have benefited from a whole new small world set.

We have also been really fortunate to have a large glow board in our sensory room. One of our areas of focus is promoting writing and the glow board encourages children to develop their writing skills in a more fun and exciting way rather than using a conventional pen and paper. (See photo on front page)

We Welcome our new manager Sam on board on 16th May. Sam will work alongside Jenna who will continue to oversee the day to day running during Sam’s induction period.

A huge Honey Pot welcome to the children who started attending during the month of April, we hope that Sophia M, Pippa and Kai enjoy their time at Honey Pot!

Jenna and Carla xx



WORKER BEES

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April has been a very busy month, we have had lots of events to celebrate. A group of children loved going to the Maritime museum at the Albert Dock. They loved walking along the Albert dock looking at the boats and learning about the history of our lovely city. Jenna Smith will be extending her key groups learning about Liverpool by continuing this onto her fascination board soon. Another group loved their visit to the farm and enjoyed seeing the different animals. We have also enjoyed our visit to Sue's Allotment to see where she grows her plants and vegetables. If you have any trip ideas/recommendations please let us know! We had a lovely tea party for the Queen's birthday. We also had fun celebrating the arrival of the latest addition to the Royal family. We thoroughly enjoyed celebrating International dance day. We learnt new moves and watched different dancing videos from different cultures around the world.

COMING UP THIS MONTH

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday 1st May: World Asthma Day
- Wednesday 2nd May: Day of Madrid: We will be learning about the City of Madrid, Children are welcome to come in dress in Spanish colours.
- Thursday 3rd May: Local elections: Children will be voting for different things throughout the day.
- Thursday 3rd May: Two different coloured shoes day.
- Friday 4th May: International Space Day: Children will be learning about Space.
- Wednesday 9th May: Europe Day: the day the EU was created! We will be learning about different countries in the EU.
- Tuesday 15th May: Ramadan begins:
- Thursday 17th May: World Baking Day: we will be baking lots of tasty foods.
- Friday 18th May: Preschool will be having their own special wedding to celebrate the upcoming wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle.
- 21st May: Our PPA event. 6pm-7opm Please let staff know if you're planning on attending
- 22-26 May: Chelsea Flower show, we will be painting and making lovely flowers. We will even grow our own flowers.

BIRTHDAYS:

Sammy will be 4 on 1st May

Luke will be 4 on 9th May.

Sofia San will be 4 on 12th May.

STAFF INFORMATION



CARLA

JENNA

CAITLIN

STAFF HOLIDAYS

Carla: 30th April till 3rd May.

Carla 11th May.

Jenna: 28th May till 5th June.

STAFF CHANGES

There have been no staff changes in Worker Bees this month.

STAFF TRAINING

Jenna: Effective story telling.

Caitlin: Mathematics in Early Years.

Caitlin EYFS 3.

Jenna, Caitlin and Carla: Persona doll training.

Carla: Transition event.

CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

DATA ANALYSIS FEB/MARCH 2018

Our key strengths are;

Self-confidence and self-awareness

REMINDERS

- Now the weather is changing can you please bring in sun-cream and a sun hat.
- Nursery will be closed Monday 7th May and Monday 28th May due to bank holidays.

PARENT CHALLENGE

We now have a homework board located outside our room. Each week there will be a homework sheet to take home. Please post your homework on eylog or bring the sheet back in so we can see how your doing.

This month we are focusing on Numbers, adding and taking away objects. Homework will be based around Maths!

EXTRA ACTIVITIES

FUN FRENCH

The Children have been learning counting words. French Pete has a book you can purchase for £10

MOVEMA

The children have loved learning different types of dance and movement from different countries around the world.

FLOWERPOT SUE

We are looking forward to planting vegetables seeds and watching them grow.

(Carla, Jenna & Caitlin)

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People & Communities
The World

Our areas of focus are;
Managing Feelings & Behaviour
Reading
Writing
Math's

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