

Nursery News

June 2020



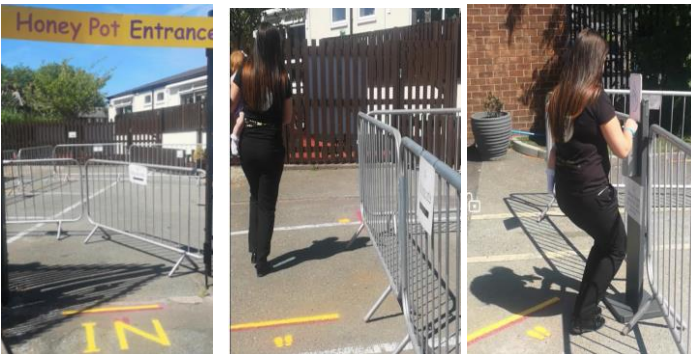
What's Been Happening

We have had a busy month preparing for the return of many of our children and families. We have been risk assessing and putting measures in place to make sure our setting is safe for children to come back to nursery.

We have created a one-way system for drop off and collection of your children.

We have provided hand sanitizing stations for parents and we have created bubbles of children and staff. All these measures will help to provide a safe environment for children to return.

We have sent all of our enhancements and changes via Eylog message and a video has been posted on our Honey Pot Garston Parent group.



Coming up this Month

- **5th June- World environment day-** As part of our eco schools we look at how to care for our environment all the time. We will use the interactive screen to look at different ways in which people can care for the environment and we will encourage children to take part in a washed up beach challenge in the water trays.
- **8th June- National Best friend day-** As we have grouped our bubbles in to friendship groups children will have opportunities to learn, play and grow with their friends. We will talk about friends they have outside of nursery too. Children will have the opportunity to write cards/letter to their best friends.
- **8th June- World Ocean Day-** Again as part of our eco schools programme, we have looked at how to keep the oceans clean, children have books based on sea life and looking after the ocean which they can access at any time. We will read these as a group and children can make posters on how to look after the ocean and they can be displayed on our eco schools board.
- **21st June- Father's day-** Children will have the opportunity to make a card for a special person in their lives and read books on families and compare how families are all different.

Check our [blog](#) and [social media pages](#) for our latest pictures of our events



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Room News (Bumble/Honeys Bees)

Our baby bees and honey bees have enjoyed water play this month.

Our children enjoyed wearing wetsuits in the rain and splashing in the water.



Fact:

Did you know water play/playing in the rain helps with a child's motor skills and balance ability. They are now investigating, exploring, and enjoying a slippery world. This has a different set of physical challenges from a dry world. When they are also playing in rain it helps them connect with all the weathers nature has.



Room News (Busy Bees)

Our Busy bees have been learning about space since SpaceX launched recently. Our busy bees enjoyed making planets out of rice and food colouring. They also enjoyed watching SpaceX launch on the interactive screen.



Room News (Worker Bees)

Our Worker Bees have enjoyed exploring shadows this month. They used pencils and paper to trace around animal shadows in the garden. The children were filled with awe and wonder during this activity.



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Staff Information

Upcoming Staff Holidays

Week commencing 1st June- Sasha

Week commencing 8th June- Suzie

Week commencing 15th June- Lyndsey

Week Commencing 22nd June- Aaliyah, Michaela and Sarah

Week commencing 29th June- Aaliyah

Staff Training- At present staff are taking part in voluntary online training, they have taken part accidents and medication, 2 year checks, challenging stereotyping, Infection control, social distancing in the workplace

Other Information

Over the last few months we have been busy upgrading our website. It has now been launched.

Visit www.honeypotnursery.co.uk to have a look yourself.



Employee of the month

Michaela Hornby: Michaela has worked extra hours to help settle our new babies in to nursery, she has also been a big help in supporting staff returning to work. Michaela always shows lots of love and commitment to her role. Well done and Thank you.



Children's Progress

Areas of strength at Honey Pot Garston:

99% of our children are inline or above for moving and handling

98.5% of our children are inline or above for making relationships

We are really proud of our children's achievement

Areas of improvement at Honey Pot Garston:

15.5% of our children are below in numbers- we will be setting tasks and activities to our children working with our maths champions.

9.5% of our children are below in health and self care- we will be working with promoting self care skills (washing hands, self serving etc)

These areas will be a focus for our children this upcoming term



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Message from central support

A huge welcome back to all of our children who have returned to from June 1st. We have been delighted to hear more little voices and see more smiling faces around the nurseries. We look forward to welcoming back the rest of the children shortly.



We are currently putting together plans for the graduation ceremony for our school leavers. Every year we hold a big celebration event where the children get together with their families and celebrate graduation. Due to social distancing restrictions, the logistics of this will have to be different this year but we are working on making it an enjoyable experience for everyone. More details to follow soon.



Transition reports/ 2 year checks

We have recently been in touch with you child's school and we will be sending their school transition report to their teacher in the upcoming month, a copy of this will also be sent to you. If you can comment and return back to us via email as soon as possible, please.

2 year checks have also been sent out via email, can you please check your emails if your child is due a 2 year check (aged between 2 and 2.5 years old) and comment in the parent boxes and return to sarahhoneypot20@outlook.com

Many Thanks

Alison, Suzie and the Garston team xx



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