



Nursery News

April 2021



What's Been Happening

This month children have enjoyed celebrating events & festivals on our calendar. Our children really enjoyed celebrating Holi, the Hindu festival of colour & love.



We have also welcomed in chicks and frogs to our nursery this month, the children have been learning about life cycles. They have loved watching the eggs hatch in to chicks and we are now watching the frogspawn turn in to frogs.



Coming up this Month

- National pet month- 1/4/2021 to 10/5/2021- We would love to receive photographs of your pets. We would like to use these as a talking point with your children, linking home life to nursery life. If you would like to send a photograph of your pets, please feel free to upload these on to our family app.
- World Autism Awareness month- 2/4/2021 to 30/04/2021
- World Health Day- 7/4/2021
- Ramadan 12/4/2021 to 12/05/2021
- Anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic 15/4/2021
- National Parks week- 17/04/2021 to 25/04/2021
- The Queen's Birthday 21/04/2021
- Earth Day 22/4/2021
- St George's Day- 23/04/2021
- Shakespeare's Birthday 23/04/2021
- International Dance Day- 29/04/2021
- International Jazz Day- 30/04/2021

You children will be provided with opportunities to learn about these upcoming events and celebrations. Our staff team will set up areas, provide resources for children to learn and gain new or further knowledge on these upcoming dates.

Check our blog, family news feed and social media pages for our latest pictures of our events



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Room News (Bumble/Honeys Bees)

Our Bumble Bee's room have loved reading our new books. We purchased more "That's not my" books as the children have been showing lots of interest in these stories. We have set up a reading area outdoors which our babies have loved relaxing in and reading a book of their choice.

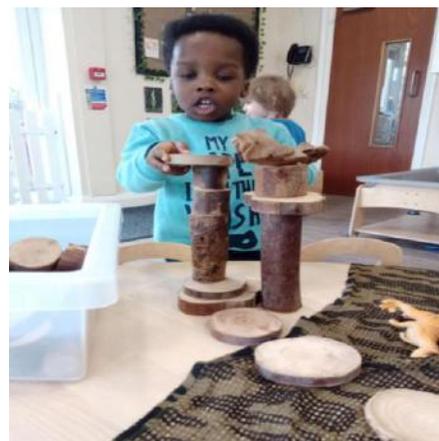


Our Honey Bee's have loved finding out different ways to mark make. Our children used their fingers, paints, toys, sponges and much more to create marks in different art materials.



Room News (Busy Bees)

Our Busy bees have been exploring loose parts and open ended resources and have used them for different purposes. Our Busy bees enjoyed making structures for Dinosaurs and other animals.



Room News (Worker Bees)

This month we have been exploring different sensory tuff trays and activities. Our Worker bees have also had lots of fun playing with loose parts. Our children explored different objects and were able to compare colours, shapes and sizes using descriptive language.



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Staff Information

Upcoming Staff Holidays

This month we have the following staff on annual leave:

- w/c 5/4/2021- Sarah (full week), Lauren (full week), Georgia (Wed, Thur and Fri)
- w/c 12/4/2021- Nicola P (Tue)
- w/c 19/4/2021- Charlotte (Wed and Thur)
- w/c 26/4/2021- Leah (Thur and Fri) Alison (Fri)

Bank Holiday reminder- Can we please remind you nursery is closed Good Friday 2/4/2021 and Easter Monday 5/4/2021. Funded only children will be off full week of 5/4/2021 for term

Employee of the month



Moe

Moe has researched ideas for our new summer menus, and has worked well to implement these in our children's daily meals. Moe always provides our children with delicious and nutritious meals.

Well done and Thank You Moe

Room of the month

Bumble Bee's

Michaela and her team have worked together really well to prepare and plan lovely experiences for our babies.

They have been researching lovely activities based around upcoming events or children's interests and they have enhanced areas in their room to give their children the best experiences whilst at nursery.

Well done Bumble Bee's



Children's Progress

Areas of strength at Honey Pot Garston:

- 33% of our children are above the local average for writing
- 15% of our children are above the national average for Reading

Areas of improvement at Honey Pot Garston:

- 2% of our children are below the local average for Health and self care

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



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Message from central support

Here at Honey Pot we hope our children and families have a lovely Easter and enjoy a long bank holiday together!

As government restrictions ease over the next few months we hope our children & families enjoy spending some time with friends and loved ones outdoors and enjoy some activities that may have been closed for a while. As restrictions ease we will be welcoming back French Pete, Flowerpotty Sue, Yoga Bears & Caterpillar music for their regular sessions at nursey. Mr Tumble Liverpool will also be joining us for some garden sessions in the next few weeks. We can't wait to welcome them back to nursery, they have been dearly missed! We must remind families to continue to adhere to government guidance to keep everyone safe and hopefully return to a normal(ish) Summer!

As always, thank you for your continued support in this current climate x



Extra circular activities

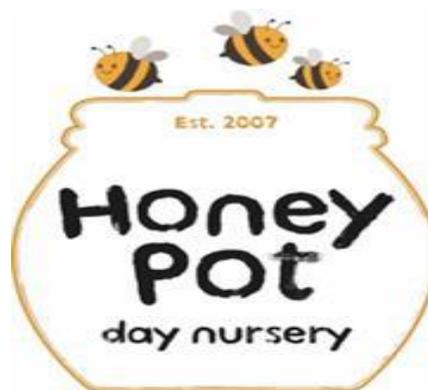
Due to the easing of government restrictions, we are welcoming back our extracurricular activities. A lot of these sessions will take place in small groups and will be outdoors were possible. We are so excited to see the return of:

- Flower Pot Sue
- French Pete
- Yoga Bears
- Caterpillar Music
- Mr Tumble Liverpool

(Forest School and Diddikicks will also continue their usual sessions too)



Many Thanks
Alison, Suzie and the Garston
team xx



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