



# Nursery News

## April 2021



### What's Been Happening

This month we have seen the return of many of our additional activities. Our children have enjoyed visits from Mr Tumble, French Pete and Caterpillar music.



### Coming up this Month

National walking month 1/5/2021-31/5/2021- We would love to see photographs of your children walking to nursery/local area.

National Sun awareness week- 3/5/2021-9/5/2021- We will be talking to our children about how to be safe in the sun and providing opportunities of learning to encourage children to be safe outside

Deaf awareness week- 3/5/201-9/5/2021- We will be exploring sign language with our children and talking about people with hearing impairments.

World Math's Day- 5/5/2021- We will be providing our children with a range of activities to enhance their number skills

Space Day-7/5/2021- Children will have opportunities to discover space and use the interactive screen to explore space

National Vegetarian week- 10/5/2021-16/5/2021- Children will be taking part in cookery sessions making some vegetarian meals and snacks.

International Nurses Day- 12/5/2021- We will be looking at the role of nurses with our children and how they help us

International Day of Families- 15/5/2021 Children will be able to read a range of books and take part in activities to provide information based around different family structures.

National Smile Month- 17/5/2021-17/6/2021- We will be talking about what makes us happy.

International Museum Day- 18/5/2021- We would love to see any photographs of your children at the Museum.

International Biscuit day- 29/5/2021- Children will be able to take part in making some healthy biscuits.

[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 Children in Bumble bees and Honey bee's have enjoyed celebrating different festivals/celebrations this month.

Our Bumble bees had lots of fun celebrating the Queen's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday with a tea party in the garden. Our children also enjoyed celebrating Penguin day by taking part in a Penguin themed play dough tuff tray.



Our Honey bee's celebrate world book night, they snuggled in with the staff team and read some of their favorite books. Our children also enjoyed celebrating Holi, the festival of love and colour. Our Honey bee's took part in outdoor powder painting.



## Room News (Busy Bees)

Our Busy bee's have been exploring marks in different messy play. They have used cars, dinosaurs, mark making tools and their own body part to make marks. Our children enjoyed printing marks in the sand using their fingers and animals.



## Room News (Worker Bees)

Our Worker bee's have recently shown so much interest in different life cycles (tadpoles and chicks)

We have introduced the life cycle of a butterfly. Our Worker bee's have enjoyed watching the Caterpillars grow and are excited to see them turn in to Butterflies.



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## Staff Information

### Upcoming Staff Holidays

This month we have the following staff on annual leave:

- w/c 3/5/2021- Sophie B (Tue), Zara (All week) Charlotte (Wed, Thur) (Beth (Fri)
- w/c 10/5/2021- Nicola D (Mon, Tue), Vincenza (all week)
- w/c 17/5/2021- Suzie (Mon) Moe (Mon), Natalie (Thur and Fri) Sasha (Thur and Fri)
- w/c 24/5/2021- Alison (Thur), Becky S (Thur and Fri), Suzie (Fri)



## Employee of the month

### Leah Edwards



Leah has been awarded employee of the month for March.

Leah has shown a positive attitude and has been enhancing preschools reading area to offer children a calm, inviting area for children to read and relax.

Well done and Thank You Leah

## Room of the month

### Busy Bee's

Lauren and her team have been awarded room of the month.

The team have been researching lovely activities to provide their children on a daily basis around upcoming events or children's interests. Lauren and the team have taken inspiration from the curiosity approach and enhanced their room providing experiences of awe and wonder.

Well done Busy 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

Nikita, from our Heath Road site, has recently started her Forest School Leader level 3 qualification. She has completed her practical training and can't wait to start putting her training into practice. Once she has completed this qualification she will be running the Forest School sessions for all of our Honey Pot Nursery sites. Until then, the children will still continue to attend the Forest School sessions that are being facilitated by your own nursery.



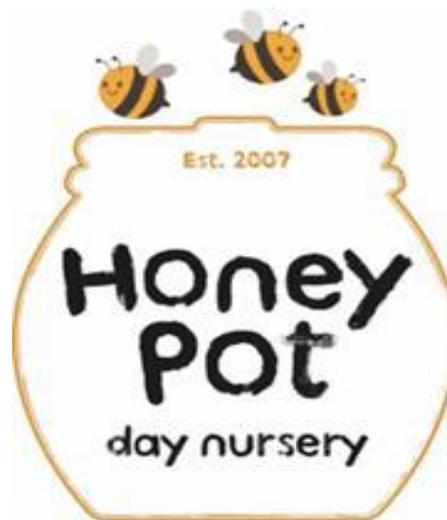
## Staffing Updates

Sophie B will sadly be leaving us on 11<sup>th</sup> May. Sophie has found work closer to her home and suits her child care needs.

Vincenza is also taking the next step in her career and has been offered a General Managers position in her previous job in a local hotel, her last working day will be 21/5/2021 We would like to wish Sophie and Vincenza lots of luck on the next part of her working journey.



Many Thanks  
Alison, Suzie and the Garston  
team xx



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