



# Nursery News

## July 2021



### What's Been Happening

This month we have been working on our Eco schools action plan.



Nicola our Eco coordinator met up with all our Honey pot coordinators to discuss topics that they would be working on with our children in the upcoming months.

One topic on the action plan was to look at waste and rubbish and find out where our rubbish goes. Our Pre-school children took part in a litter pick in the forest. They found tissues, plastic bags, plastic bottles and more. They used the litter pickers to collect the rubbish and put it in the correct bins back at nursery.



Did you know the vast majority (79%) of litter is accumulating in landfills or sloughing in the natural environment. This means at some point much of it ends in the oceans.

### Coming up this Month

- 10/7/2021-24/7/2021- Transition Month- We are continuing to support our Worker Bees to prepare them for their transition to School, however in the next month a lot of children will start to transition into their next room. Children will start to settle into their next room with their key person. We will send you staff all about me document and a video of the room that your child will be transitioning to. If you have any questions in regard to transitions, please call us and we will be able to discuss this with you.
- 10/7/2021-10/8/2021- Sports Month- We will be holding sports activities during the month of July. We will be discussing with our children about the importance of exercise and keeping our body fit and healthy.
  - 18/7/2021- Mandela Day. Children will have opportunities to take part in planting activities or if they would like to donate a book to a child less fortunate, they can. There will be a book box outside nursery on 18/7/2021 if you would like to donate a book. If you would like to write a message and sign it off from your child, we will make sure these find children in need. Mandela believed that everyone should have the same rights.
- 19/7/2021- 23/7/2021- Eid-ul-Adha- This is a celebration on 10<sup>th</sup> day of the twelfth and final month of the Lunar calendar and it is considered to be the holiest festival in the Islamic calendar. Children can use the interactive screen to learn more about Eid-ul-Adha.
- 24/7/2021-9/8/2021- Tokyo Summer Olympics- Our children will have opportunities to watch previous summer Olympics online and take part in Olympic themed activities.
- 30/7/2021- International day of Friendship- Children will have opportunities to talk about their friends and make cards/gifts and jewelry for their friends.

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 Bees have enjoyed exploring the world around them. They have been on local walks to the park, they enjoyed a picnic and stories in the shade. Our Bumble bees also enjoyed looking at different types of transport on the way.



Our Honey Bees enjoyed celebrating Chester Zoo's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday with some animal themed tuff trays. A lot of our Honey Bees love playing with the safari animals and reading stories about animals.



# Room News (Busy Bees)

Our Busy Bees children have enjoyed exploring sea life for world ocean day. Our children took part in under water themed tuff trays, ocean themed play dough and they read stories based around the ocean and sea life and what they can do to play a part in protecting the ocean.



# Room News (Worker Bees)

Our Worker Bees have been fascinated by the solar eclipse this month. Our children went into the garden to experience the solar eclipse and on their return into their play rooms they created a solar eclipse themed tuff tray. After this, children had opportunities to learn more using the interactive screen.



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## Staff Information

### Upcoming Staff Holidays

This month we have the following staff on annual leave:

w/c 5/7/2021- Becky G (all week) Sophie M (Mon and Tue) Suzie (Mon and Tue) Nicola D (Wed, Thur and Fri) Michaela (Thur and Fri)

w/c 12/7/2021- Zara, Moe, Nicola D, Natalie A (Full week)

w/c 19/7/2021- Beth, Daniel (full week) Sophie S (Monday)

w/c 26/7/2021- Sasha, Missie (full week) Nicole (Wed, Thur and Fri)



## Employee of the month

Niamh Rynn



Niamh has been awarded employee of the month as she is proactive to learn, she is always thinking of new ideas and experience to provide our children and she has been flexible to meet the nursery needs.

Well done and Thank You Niamh

## Room of the month

### Busy Bees

In our recent staff meeting Lauren and her team were set a task to research the curiosity approach and think of ways they use this in their daily practice and how this supports our children's learning and development and they went above and beyond in their research and created a curiosity cocktail. Well done Busy Bees. All staff have also received a point on the staff reward scheme



## Facts about Forest School:

Did you know that forest school.....

- Gives children the freedom, time and space to learn and demonstrate independence.
- Children learn to explore boundaries in their natural environment.
- It enhances sharing, thinking and problem solving skills
- It allows children to develop relationships between others in the natural world



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## Staffing Updates

We have welcomed Daniel in to our Honey Pot family this month.

Daniel has joined our Busy Bees team taking over from Natalie. Daniel is starting his NVQ level 2. Natalie and Daniel have taken part in a smooth hand over and Daniel has now settled in well with the support of Lauren.

Natalie has now qualified and now has her NVQ level 3. Natalie is still based at Honey Pot and is now part of our bankstaff team working in all rooms to gain further experience.



## Our monthly newsfeed gallery...

Here are some of our best memories for June 2021



I wonder how high I can climb?



What shall we call the snail?



Euro 2021 winners, Emmie and Lucia!



Top of the charts, making music!

Many Thanks

Alison, Suzie and the Garston team xx



## Message from central support

As you are probably aware the government has announced a 4-week pause at Step 3 of the lifting coronavirus restrictions. Step 3 restrictions remain in place. We appreciate that it can be tiresome to continue to follow the restrictions in place but we must urge you to do so for the safety and welfare of yourselves and others. As a reminder can you please ensure that you are wearing an appropriate face covering on drop of and collection, unless you are exempt. Please also ensure that you are keeping a 2 meter distance when queuing at the door on drop of and collection. We continue to work in bubbles within the building and staff wear face coverings where appropriate. We also ensure that children and staff are regularly handwashing and would urge you to continue to use the hand sanitizer made available to you by the entrance. If you or your child have any symptoms please ensure you book a PCR test rather than taking a lateral flow test as we will only be able to accept a PCR result following symptoms. We are aiming to minimise potential disruption to children and avoid the need for isolating bubbles so your ongoing cooperation is much appreciated. We will provide more updates to any changes following government guidance which we expect to change on 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Thanks again for your patience and understanding.



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