



Nursery News

July 2021



What's Been Happening?



June saw us enjoy the sunny weather! Children went out on walks in our beautiful local area & enjoyed lots of outdoor play, especially water play & the paddling pool! We enjoyed a visit from the fabulous Jude Lennon where she read her story 'That's our home'. We have also enjoyed exploring world yoga day where we attempted different poses & breathing techniques. We celebrated world oceans day & talked about the importance of looking after the environment to keep marine life safe. We also celebrated children's art week & world music day & enjoyed experimenting with different ways of creating art & music! There has also been lots of excitement as our caterpillars turned into cocoons & started to emerge as beautiful butterflies!



Coming up this Month

National picnic month, Samaritans talk to us month, Plastic free July.

- 1st - International Reggae Day & Canada day
- 1st - Clean beaches week starts
- 5th - National hygiene week starts
- 5th - Independence Day
- 10th - Teddy bear picnic day



- 18th - Mandela day & Ice cream day
- 18th/19th - Arafah day
- 18th to 23rd - Muslim Hajj season
- 19th to 23rd - Eid ul Adha
- 23rd - Tokyo Summer Olympics starts
- 25th - School leavers graduation ceremony
- 29th - Global tiger day
- 30th - World friendship day



Don't forget that children who attend nursery on a term time only basis will finish nursery on wc 12th July.

Please check out the blog for latest pictures of events at
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Room News (Baby Bees)



Baby bees have celebrated pride by exploring colours of the rainbow during messy play! The children enjoyed a variety of activities for world ocean day & named the different sea animals they could find & we explored different shaped shells and matched them to images in a book. To celebrate the start of the UEFA euros the children enjoyed baking some traditional French breakfast, adding the ingredients & choosing the flavour & colours of their biscuits! The children all got creative using different mark making tools to make cards & gifts for their Daddies!

Room News (Honey Bees)



Honey bees started the month off celebrating National smile month; they explored a teeth cleaning activity & demonstrated fabulous brushing skills! They explored a variety of rainbow themed activities in celebration of pride month. They also explored water play & spoke about how to keep the animals safe for world oceans day. For the Queen's birthday we dressed up as royalty & had a tea party. We made her a birthday card & sent it to her! We also perfected our yoga poses in celebration of world yoga day.

Room News (Busy Bees)



Busy Bees have celebrated Pride month; they have looked at different family set ups & discussed their own families. They made their own pride flags & used the linking people to form their own families. They have also explored a lot of sports themed activities, including footballs to link in with the euros & they had bike races after discussing the tour de france. They used the crates outdoors as a stage so they could perform to each other using different instruments in celebration of world music day & they have also taken part in exercise & yoga sessions.

Room News (Pre-school)



Pre-school have been very busy learning lots of new things! They have been learning a lot around growth & change through caring for the plants in our new growing area & observing the change in our caterpillars as they grow into butterflies. They have enjoyed their gardening sessions with Flowerpot Sue where they have planted beans, courgettes & pumpkins. They also learnt about different types of fruit & vegetables in a food tasting activity. They have also explored different family structures in celebration of pride month & also experimented with different ways of creating art for children's art week. There was lots of excitement for the Euros, the children took part in a sweep & also held a French themed day on the day France played.



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Birthdays

Honey Bees:

Harriet - 7th

Charlotte Pe - 27th

Worker Bees:

Ivor - 2nd

Sophie - 28th



Busy Bees:

Lucas - 1st

Georgia - 7th

Harper - 16th

Joshua - 11th

Mason - 31st

Staff Information

We will be welcoming two new members to the team Tegan B and Teegan O. Both staff will be studying for their level 3 qualification with us. Tegan B has already been on placement with us for a while so is already familiar to the children.

Staff Holidays

Reece: 1st, 2nd & 16th

Amy: 8th & 9th

Donna: 9th, 26th to 6th Aug

Zahra: 19th & 29th

Frankie: From wc 19th - works term time only

Sarah Lou: 5th to 9th

Megan: 9th & 20th

Chloe F: 16th, 19th & 20th

Sarah: 20th & 21st

Staff Training

The whole staff team will be attending another session on the new EYFS that we will be transitioning to use from September.

Some staff recently attended a webinar which focused on the language of race in the early years.

We also accessed training from Alice Sharp on connections & relationships & staff are very eager to implement what they have learnt into the setting.

Rebecca, Caitlin & Reece continue to study for their level 2 qualification.

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IS A TREASURE THAT WILL
FOLLOW ITS OWNER
EVERYWHERE.

Employee of the month

Reece

Reece is developing brilliantly as a practitioner & in particular really excels when he covers in our pre-school room. He is very aware of the daily routines & tasks required in the room & he has a fantastic manner with the children. He is also developing relationships with parents well & has a lovely manner during handovers. He has also demonstrated some fantastic teaching skills through some of the activities he has provided to the children. Well done Reece!



Room of the month

Worker Bees

Sarah, Kelly, Frankie & Anthony along with the support of Reece have done a fantastic job of providing the children with lovely experiences over the last month as well as completing transition to school reports & liaising with parents & local schools, supporting the children with their transition to school & also preparing them for their upcoming graduation ceremony. The staff always remain positive & enthusiastic & provide a nurturing & fun environment for the children no matter what comes their way. Well done all!



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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 & welfare of yourselves & others. As a reminder can you please ensure that you are wearing an appropriate face covering on drop off and collection, unless you are exempt. Please also ensure that you are keeping a 2 metre distance when queuing at the door on drop off & collection. We continue to work in bubbles within the building & staff wear face coverings where appropriate. We also ensure that children & staff are regularly handwashing & 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 & 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 19th July. Thanks again for your patience & understanding.

Reminders & Information

* **Extra sessions** - Please be aware that when booking any extra/additional sessions for your child/ren, they must be paid for in advance of the session.

* **Late collection** - Please be aware that morning sessions finish at 1pm & afternoon and full day sessions finish by 6pm. We understand there may be occasions where you may be genuinely late, however please ensure you are collecting your children on time or you may be likely to incur a late collection charge.

family 

Please can you take the time to update any contact information, health & dietary information & permissions for your child/ren. There are lots of fabulous features you can access on family & there is a handy help feature too! Please let us know if you are experiencing any difficulty with using family & the staff will be happy to help!

Other Information



The revamp of our garden space has now been completed & the children are loving exploring everything it has to offer including a new sand & water wall, a climbing frame & a fantastic stage!

We have also had a new growing area made at the front of the nursery too & the children have all been keen gardeners, helping to keep the area in bloom!

Covid-19 Procedures

**** Just a reminder of the measures that are in place at nursery due to covid-19;**

* All parents must wear a mask when dropping off & picking up their children (Unless exempt) & use the one-way system, the children will wash their hands upon arrival, & have their temperature checked (Unless parents have stated otherwise).

* Please remember it is highly important to inform staff if your child has had any medicine or accidents prior to nursery, you can do this via Family, informing the staff on handover or by calling the nursery.

* As per our covid-19 policy, we will not be administering calpol to children in nursery, this is due to a high temperature being a covid symptom & calpol could mask this symptom.

Fatima, Sarah & the Aigburth

team xx



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