



# Nursery News

## October 2021



### What's Been Happening

During the month of September, we have welcomed many children and their families into our Honey Pot family.

We feel our children are settling well and are building up lovely bonds with their key person and staff in the rooms.



We have also enjoyed cake banking, raising money for Macmillan cancer research. We have raised a massive £181. We would like to thank you all for your kind donations.



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COFFEE MORNING**

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### Coming up this Month

**10/10/2021-** World porridge day, our children will be offered porridge for breakfast alongside some delicious fruit.

**1/10/2021-31/10/2021- Black History Month-** This is an opportunity for our children to celebrate the outstanding contributions that Black people have made to British society, whether that be today or historically through a range of activities

**1/10/2021-31/10/2021-** The big draw- Children will be provided with many opportunities to make different marks and create wonderful drawings

**1/10/2021- World smile day-** We will be discussing emotions with our children and talking about every child's smile is unique

**3/10/2021-31/10/2021- Harvest festival-** The Harvest Festival is a time for feasting, celebrating, and giving thanks. We will be holding a food donation on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October if you would like to make any kind donations. We will create some hampers to drop off to local homes.

**10/10/2021- World mental health day-** Children will have opportunities to clear their minds and take part in yoga and wellbeing activities

**31/10/2021- Halloween-** We will be holding a Halloween party on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October- your child is more than welcome to come in fancy dress or design a Halloween themed T-shirt. You are more than welcome to bring a pumpkin in too.

Check our blog and social media pages for our latest pictures of our events



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## Room News (Bumble/Honeys Bees)

This month in our Bumble Bees/ Honey Bees room the children have been exploring their senses through many different activities and exploring the sensory room.



Sensory play includes any activity that stimulates a young child's senses of touch, smell, taste, sight and hearing, as well as anything which engages movement and balance.



## Room News (Busy Bees)

Our Busy Bees have been exploring emotions and enjoyed celebrating heart day. The children have enjoyed reading "In my heart". They have been talking about their feelings and that it's ok to feel sad sometimes when we are missing home and our favorite people. The children learnt new words such as brave and calm and they said they were feeling happy as they put their hands to their chests. Our Busy Bees also made playdough and added heart cutters, rollers and loose parts.



## Room News (Worker Bees)

Our Worker Bees have been focusing on recycling as part of our Eco school project. They took part in a recycling zoom and used recyclable objects to take part in junk modelling .



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## Staff Information

### Upcoming Staff Holidays

- w/c 4/10/2021- Nicole (Mon), Zara (Tue to Fri)
- w/c 11/10/2021- Zara (Mon) Stevie (Full week), Leah (Tue, Thur and Fri)
- w/c 18/10/2021- Alison (Mon), Erin (Mon and Tue), Nicola D (full week), Natalia (Tue to Fri)
- w/c 25/10/2021- Rhea (Full week) Sasha (Full week) Sophie (Full week)



## Room of the month

### Busy Bees

Our Busy Bees team have been awarded room of the month.

Busy Bees have been working hard to update their planning boards following our new curriculum. They have also been working hard updating 2 year checks ready for management to meet with local Health Visitors.

Well done and Thank You.



## Employee of the month

### Danielle Hart

Danielle is a great mentor to her staff team, and she supports her apprentices really well.

Danielle is always looking at ways to develop and enhance her room to make the environment exciting and welcoming for her babies.



Well done and thank you Danielle

## Message from central support

September has seen the introduction of the revised EYFS and our new Honey Pot Curriculum. We are finding it really useful and can already see the positive impact that it is having on the children. Having our own curriculum allows us to specifically tailor our teaching to our children and their particular needs. Each of the managers have put on zoom meetings about the revised EYFS and our Honey Pot curriculum. If you have missed any of these or can't make any of the ones coming up, please contact your manager who will be able to give you more information about what the changes mean for you and your child. You can also request a pdf copy of our curriculum to have a read through. You should see that children continue to be at the heart of everything we do and that our approach to their learning and development is ambitious. We also encourage feedback from parents about our new curriculum so that we can make improvements that are needed.



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A fun day with Flower Pot Sue



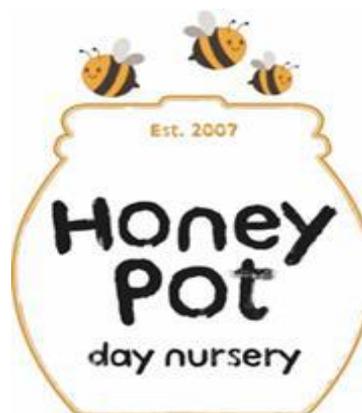
## Staff Changes/Updates

We would like to say a huge congratulations to Erin. Erin has been promoted from our bank staff team into a key person role in our Busy Bees room.

Erin has been with Honey Pot for 2 months now, covering staff annual leave and time off. Erin has been working closely with the Busy Bees team over the past few weeks to get to know the room routine and children's individual needs. Erin is excited to meet you all.



Many Thanks  
Alison, Sarah and the Garston  
team xx



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