



Nursery News

March 2022



What's Been Happening?



February was a busy but great month full of celebrations & learning many new things!

We were very lucky to have one of our parents bring in a Chinese Lion for us all to see. Tom explained all about the Chinese Lion & did a demonstration for us all.

We had a fun packed schedule for Children's mental health week including Masterpiece Monday where the children created some fantastic works of art, tranquil Tuesday where the children experienced lots of lovely calming activities including lavender water play, meditation & massages. Working together Wednesday where the children worked together during parachute games & supporting a friend to complete an obstacle course blindfolded. For thoughtful Thursday, the children helped out around the nursery & made lovely pictures to give out to passers by & we tested our physical skills & enjoyed healthy smoothies for fitness Friday!



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Coming up this Month

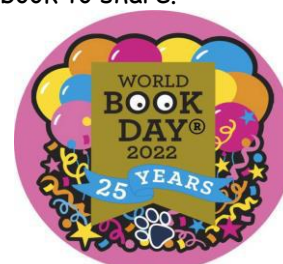
1st - St David's Day - We will be learning about the patron saint of Wales.



1st - Shrove Tuesday - The children will be helping to make some delicious pancakes!

2nd - Ash Wednesday & Dr Seuss Day

3rd - World Book Day - Children are welcome to come to nursery dressed up if they wish or simply bring in their favourite book to share.



4th - Winter Paralympics starts 🇨🇪

8th - International womens day

11th - British Science week

15th - Brain awareness week

17th - St Patrick's Day - We will be learning about the patron saint of Ireland

18th - Holi - We will be learning about the popular ancient Hindu festival, also known as the "Festival of Love", the "Festival of Colours" & the "Festival of Spring".

18th - Comic relief

23rd - World Maths Day

26th - Earth Hour

27th - Mother's Day

Room News (Baby Bees)



Baby bees have had lots of fun in nursery over the last month! We welcomed some new faces to our room & they have settled in tremendously well to nursery life. The babies joined in during childrens mental health week where we painted & made marks for masterpiece Monday! For thoughtful Thursday the children drew some lovely pictures which we handed out to people walking past the nursery & made lots of people smile. The children have also enjoyed exploring a lunar new year activity where we explored coloured rice, chopsticks & hunted for money!

Room News (Honey Bees)



It's been another busy month for honey bees! Lots of our friends have been celebrating their birthdays & we've enjoyed having a party for them all. For children's mental health week we have explored all things calming & relaxing including making tie dye tops, lavender water play, spa themed afternoons & making hug vouchers for our friends & family. For Valentine's day we have been making special cards & exploring messy play, our favorite was definitely rose petals in jelli baffle. We have also been focusing on our physical skills including tummy time, using the walker, practicing the stairs & even taking some independent steps!

Room News (Busy Bees)



This month we have been exploring emotions through the colour monster story, we've painted & drawn pictures expressing our own emotions. We learnt about Chinese New Year, tasted some Chinese foods & explored Chinese themed tuff trays. We continued our dance sessions with Maria this month & we took part in a jungle theme & also a space themed dance class. After the recent storms, we noticed the damage it had done to our tree in the garden & we loved using broken branches & twigs & painting them.

Room News (Pre-school)



Worker Bees took part in some fantastic activities for Children's mental health week, including fitness work outs, yoga, meditation, a spa day, carrying out random acts of kindness by making biscuits for our parents & passers by & creating wonderful masterpieces. They have also been focusing on emotions, using the colour monster story & talking about what makes us feel each emotion & how we can help each other through it. Worker Bees have loved using their new affirmation display daily. They all take turns to look at themselves in the mirror & shout out positive things about themselves.



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Birthdays

Baby Bees:

Callum - 1st
Milo - 10th

Honey Bees:

Elijah - 27th

Worker Bees:

Anais - 11th
Sophia - 26th

Busy Bees:

Stanley - 1st
Rosie - 4th
Claudia 12th
Gabiella - 18th



Staff Information

We have welcomed three new staff members to the setting who will be starting their childcare journey with us through an apprenticeship qualification, Alexandra, Aimee & Demi. I hope you will all join us in welcoming them to the Aigburth family.



Staff Holidays

- * Rose - 28th - 2nd March
- * Zahra - 3rd
- * Sarah-Lou - 8th
- * Megan - 2nd
- * Nicole - 7th
- * Sarah - 11th & 28th

Staff Training

Kelly continues to study for her EYT qualification. Chloe is attending early years reading advocate training. Sarah-Lou & Zahra have continued to study for their early years professional development programme qualification. Caitlin will soon be coming to the end of her level 2 qualification. Rose & Chelsea continue to study for their level 2 qualification & Sarah-Lou continues to study for her level 5 qualification.



Employee of the month

Megan

Megan has previously been our lunch cover but has been spending a lot of time covering in our Honey Bees room. She has really put effort into getting to know the children better & has taken time to get to know parents also & assists in responding to messages & updates parents throughout the day. Well done Megan.



Room of the month

Worker Bees

Worker bees staff always work extremely hard to ensure there is always a positive, fun & stimulating environment for the children with plenty of opportunities for learning. The staff are super enthusiastic & show a genuine passion for the care & development of the children in their care. During February they provided some fantastic activities for children's mental health week & they always go above & beyond in providing wonderful things for the children such as a fabulous Valentines breakfast!



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Special Recognition

Each month we will be picking a member of staff to give a special recognition to for their consistent & outstanding work.



Michaela is our baby room leader in Garston. She has worked for the company for 12 years & she has such a loving & caring nature for all the children in her care at all times. She also is a great role model to our newer staff members & regularly trains apprentices with her expertise & knowledge. Michaela is also our well-being coordinator at HP Garston & she is very passionate about improving the wellbeing of all staff & ensuring that the children's well-being is always a priority. Michaela is a truly dedicated member of the team & her passion for Early Years shines through every single day. Well done Michaela we are lucky to have you!

Reminders

- * **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.
- * **Updating information** - Please can you take the time to update any contact information, health & dietary information & permissions for your child/ren.
- * **Enhancing nursery** - We are currently revamping our home corners & we would love any real items that we could use such as perfume bottles, handbags, old toasters etc. Your junk is our treasure!!!
- * **Exclusion periods** - There have been a lot of illnesses in the nursery recently. We have shared our updated policy on exclusion periods on family so that you are aware of the period dependent on the illness.
- * **Ready, Steady, listen** - Just a reminder that there are sponsorship forms available in the entrance area if you would like for your child to participate.

Other Information

Covid 19 Procedures

As you will be aware the Prime Minister has set out the next phase of the government's COVID-19 response 'Living with COVID-19'. COVID-19 continues to be a virus that we learn to live with & the imperative to reduce the disruption to children & young people's education remains. We will be receiving updated guidance & will send information out to all parents in regard to any changes.

Accidents & medication

Please can you continue to ensure that you are reporting any accidents that occur before nursery or if your child has had any medication prior to nursery. It is important that we are recording this information. Feel free to message us this information on family if you feel you may forget to inform staff during handover.

Displays in nursery

Our staff are in the process of updating their key group boards. These boards will now include environment enhancements & outings planned for the month ahead & the current interests of both individuals & their whole key group. They will also include quotes & pictures that inspire them. If you would like to include your views, please message your child's key person.



Fatima, Sarah & the Aighurth team. xxx



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