

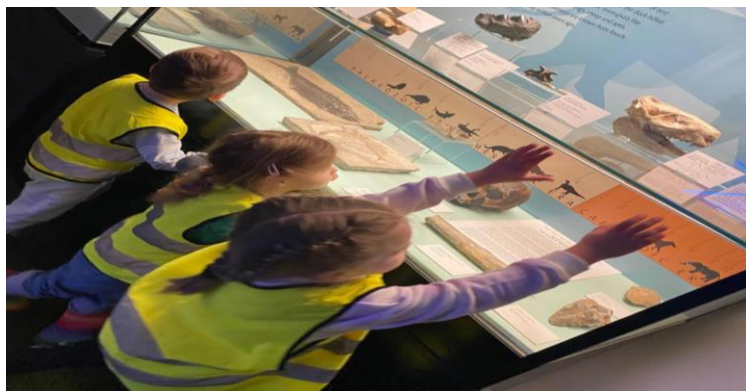


Nursery News

April 2022



What's Been Happening?



March was a fantastic month full of fun & learning about new fascinating things!

A group of our pre-school children were lucky enough to go to the Museum! They have been fascinated with everything related to Egypt & loved seeing all the exhibits on display! They even purchased a few Egyptian souvenirs to bring back to nursery.

As the children had been learning about St. Patrick's Day & Ireland, we had a special visit from Lucy who showed us her special costume that she wears in Irish dancing competitions. She also showed us her trophies that she had won & showed us some Irish dancing too! We were all excited to have a go!

We also visited LACE with lots of donations from our wonderful parents for the people of Ukraine. We talked about what charity is & helping others. The children were excited to help sort out the donations, ready for them to be delivered.



Coming up this Month

* National pet month



* Ramadan

2nd - International Children's book day

7th - World health day

10th - National siblings' day

14th - Vaisakhi - an ancient Sikh harvest festival marking the beginning of a new year & new harvest season.

15th - Good Friday - Nursery closed

15th - Anniversary of the titanic sinking & International art & artist day

17th - Easter Sunday

18th - Easter Monday - Nursery Closed

21st - Queen's birthday

22nd - Earth Day

23rd - St. Georges day

27th - Yom Hashoah - annual day of remembrance of the victims of the Holocaust.

29th - International Day of Dance

30th - International vet day & International jazz day

* Don't forget we have our stay & play sessions on the 7th & 8th April, please see our post on family for further details.

* Please be aware children who attend nursery on a funded hours only basis will not attend nursery the week commencing 11th & 18th April.

Please check out the blog for latest pictures of events at <http://blog.honeypotnursery.co.uk>



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Room News (Baby Bees)



Baby bees have been enjoying lots of water play & messy play recently. They have also shown lots of interest in our jigsaw puzzles & locks & latches boards & also the touch & feel books. They have also made the most of the weather when it has been sunny with lots of garden time, spending time together in our swing seat, testing their climbing skills on the troll bridge & exploring the lookout house!

Room News (Honey Bees)



Honey bees have had a busy month, we celebrated many events including getting messy making pancakes for Shrove Tuesday, exploring a range of book themed activities for World Book day, making slime for science week, exploring a lucky rainbow themed tray for St Patrick's day, making coloured sand for Holi, we explored 5 little ducks for world math day & made lots of beautiful creations for mother's day. A group of us also went to the farm; we have loved farm animals recently & explored a range of farm activities so thought it was only right to visit the farm.



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Room News (Busy Bees)



Busy bees have enjoyed learning about the life cycle of caterpillars whilst watching our very own caterpillars grow. We have also celebrated St Patrick's day where we enjoyed painting our own interpretation of the Irish flag whilst listening to traditional Irish music. We also enjoyed making & decorating our own yummy pancakes. Nicole's group took a visit to Lidl where we bought some tasty exotic fruits which we enjoyed eating with our friends. We've explored lots of wildlife themed activities, including painting different animal patterns & creating our own muddy farm.

Room News (Pre-school)



Worker bees have been really focused on Spring and life cycles! We have welcomed the caterpillars & watched in awe as they grew & started to cocoon into their chrysalis. We have also been learning a lot about bees & pollination & how important they are for our environment! The children enjoyed a range of science experiments for science week, such as exploding pop, rainbow clouds & moving drawings! We have also loved being creative in the sunshine, with lots of art activities in the garden, such as shadow drawing.

Birthdays

Honey Bees:

Olive - 1st
Mabel C - 1st
George - 17th

Worker Bees:

Lucia - 6th
Orla - 17th

Staff:

Caitlin - 6th
Aimee - 27th

Busy Bees:

Theodore - 2nd
Evelyn - 21st
Scarlett - 25th
Rory - 25th



Staff Information

We have welcomed two new staff members to the setting. Jemma who will be based in our pre-school room & Jenny who is our new cook. We will also be welcoming a new apprentice to the Aigburth family, Rebecca.



Staff Holidays

- * Katie - 4th - 8th
- * Aimee - 27th - 29th
- * Chloe - 11th, 21st & 22nd
- * Caitlin - 6th - 7th & 28th - 29th
- * Sarah - 13th & 14th
- * Fatima - 19th & 20th
- * Megan - 26th & 27th

Staff Training

Kelly continues to study for her EYT qualification. Chloe is attending early years reading advocate training. Zahra completed the EYPDP qualification. Caitlin successfully completed her level 2 qualification. Rose, Chelsea, Aimee & Alex continue to study for their level 2 qualification.



Employee of the month

Katie

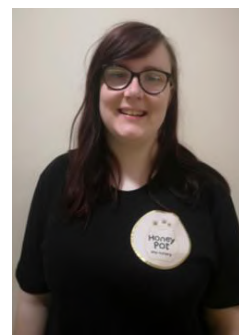
Katie has really developed in confidence recently. She has been working hard to provide lots of lovely activities for the children & to further develop her relationships with her children & parents. She is always happy & positive in the setting & has lots of enthusiasm in everything she does with the children. Well done Katie!



Room of the month

Honey Bees

Zahra & Katie work really well together to ensure consistency in the room. They ensure the children are spending their days in a fun & stimulating atmosphere & ensure they are in tune with each of the children's individual needs & interests. They maintain great relationships with parents & have excellent communication with them to ensure they are attending to their children's needs & development to the best of their ability. Well done both of you!



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Special Recognition



This Month's Special Recognition is Alex. Alex is an apprentice that has just started with us in our HP Aigburth site. She has a real passion & drive to work with children & has shown such an amazing attitude to her own professional development from day one. She has already created fantastic bonds with her key children & parents, and we can't wait to see her thrive in her role as Nursery Apprentice and gain her qualification with us. Well done, Alex!

We also have another Special Recognition this month which goes to John. John is our Builder, Maintenance Man & all-round fixer. He brings our ideas to life & creates the most beautiful environments. Not only does he bring our ideas to life, but he also has his own ideas & supports the practitioners in creating environments that are inviting & purposeful. We don't know what we would do without him! Thank you John, for all your amazing work.



Reminders & information

Covid 19 Update

The government has set out its plans for 'living with Covid' ahead of guidance changes due to come into effect as of 1 April 2022:

- * Children & staff who are unwell & have a high temperature will be advised to stay at home & avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can return to nursery when they feel well enough & have been free from a temperature for 48 hours.
- * People with symptoms of a respiratory infection, including Covid-19 & a high temperature or who feel unwell, will be advised to try stay at home & avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities & have been free from a temperature for 48 hours.
- * Anyone with a positive Covid-19 test result will be advised to try to stay at home & avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious (although it should be noted that free testing for the general public will end on this date as well).
- * Testing will no longer be required.

* **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. Feel free to message us this information on family if you feel you may forget to inform staff during handover.

* **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!!!

Have a lovely Easter!!

Fatima, Sarah & the Aigburth team.

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