



Newsletter

April 2017

Wow! We can't believe it's April already and we are so excited that the weather is steadily improving and have enjoyed some really sunny days already in our beautiful garden. We have had an action packed month celebrating Easter and St. George's Day - the menu on St. George's Day included meat and potato pie, vegetables and gravy followed by bread and butter pudding - what a treat! Thank you to chef Sarah for accommodating all of our special celebrations within her menus, she always does such a fantastic job!



Our team

Congratulations to Vikki for winning Staff Member of the Month this month, as voted for by the staff. There were lovely comments about Vikki including "She is so good in her new job role and is always there in times of need." "Vikki is always smiling and so kind and lovely." "Vikki is a strong person and is just so happy and professional, well done Vikki." Such fantastic, detailed comments from our supportive team, congratulations to Vikki, a well deserved award.

We have also welcomed Natalie from Theatre Tots back into nursery this month as she will be running Theatre Tots classes for the babies and toddlers on Monday mornings at 9.30am. The children and staff both enjoyed their first session last week.

Babies - News from the baby room



Babies have been getting messy this past month, enjoying various different types of gloop, water play, painting and last and lentil exploration. They have explored media and materials with their hands, feet and a range of different tools. The babies loved rolling balls through paint to make marks on their paper. If you would like ideas of messy play materials at home, please do not hesitate to ask our knowledgeable and resourceful staff!

In May the babies are going to be concentrating on transport. They are going to go on a trip to the train station and investigate how different transport toys can make tracks in paint.

Sarah, Niamh and Nina :)

Toddlers - News from the toddler room



The toddlers have been immersed in Easter crafts this month and we have some fantastic photos of the children having fun with this theme. They have also been very resourceful and have been using old CDs to take part in various craft activities - the number of activities they have come up with using the CDs in different ways is amazing!

They are looking forward to their themed day “Teddy Bears Picnic” this month and will be linking this to the story of Goldilocks and the 3 Bears.

Debi, Tasha and Jeny

Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Team Pre-School threw themselves into their recent Pirate and Princess Day with vigour! This themed day was planned by the staff because the children had been showing such an interest in dressing up as Princesses and Pirates in pre-school so we thought we would follow their lead to engage them further with this topic. They have also enjoying a focus on the ‘Harry and The Dinosaurs’ books and following the themes from the boys they made dinosaur swamps, snow kings and various other dinosaur related activities! In May the pre-school children will be moving onto their new topic - families. We will be talking about our families, new babies and our feelings.

Terri, Ceri and Dominique

Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

Thank you to all those parents and children for depositing your vouchers, so far we have tallied over 650! We are collecting until the 30th June, then we will tally up our vouchers and send them off for some resources for our garden.

NDNA Awards

We are delighted to announce that Michelle and Sarah have both made it to the final stage of the NDNA Awards! The awards ceremony is on Friday 30th June and the winners of the awards will be revealed on the night. Michelle has been nominated for the Manager of the Year award and Sarah is nominated for Practitioner of the Year. Fingers crossed everyone!

Dates for your diary:

11th May - Dad's Night out. Paul will be meeting anyone who is free at The Mounting Stone in Bramhall.

12th May - Nursery Pyjama Party - please bring your child into nursery dressed in their favourite Pyjamas or Onesie. We will be enjoying lots of "bedtime stories" with the children throughout the day to support their love of books and storytelling.

14th May - Bramhall Duck Race - this annual event is held at Bramhall Park and our Railway Nursery Duck will be racing in the first race at 11.30am. It's a lovely family event so if you are free pop along to the park and join in the fun.

17th May - Toddlers Theme Day - Teddy Bears Picnic! Please can children in the toddler room come to nursery dressed as either a teddy bear (brown clothes) or Goldilocks and they can all bring their favourite teddy bear to join in the fun.

Please could we ask you to.....

Bring wellies and coats in every day

As you all know we play in our lovely garden every day, whatever the weather so please can we ask for you to ensure all children have wellies

and coats as the weather can be unpredictable and children love splashing in our puddles! Thanks for your co-operation with this.

Sun Cream

As the weather gets warmer please can we remind all parents to apply suncream to their children before dropping them off and provide a hat (named). We can re-apply suncream to children later in the day if required to ensure they are safe in the sun.

Car Parking

Please can we ask parents to use the car park for dropping children off or picking them up at the end of the day whenever possible? We have been asked by the council to ensure that parents are using the car park rather than the road when there are spaces available within the car park so we would appreciate your co-operation with this. It also helps to keep our neighbours happy! Thank you.

Any questions or anything we can help you with please feel free to speak to a member of our team or you can send us an email to enquiries@therailwaynursery.co.uk.

The Railway Nursery Team