

Newsletter

June 2017

What an exciting month at nursery! We have been so impressed with our fantastic builders who have gone out of their way to ensure nursery life can continue as normal whilst the building project progresses. You will have seen various stages of the building project over the past month, the main changes being a new temporary door into the baby room and part of the garden being hoarded off to ensure everyone's safety. Paul will continue to provide weekly updates for parents so that everyone is kept informed of recent developments.

This month we have also had a very successful Father's Day breakfast, a superb Mum's night out with lots of networking occurring (6 degrees of separation springs to mind!) and various trips out of nursery for the children and staff. The children have enjoyed the hot weather recently and our new water squirters in the garden were definitely a hit with both the children and the staff! A perfect way to keep cool in the hot temperatures!



Our team

Staff member of the month this is a tie vote! Well done to Sarah.G and Debi, with 3 votes each. There are always lots of lovely comments made from the whole team. One of Debi's votes was, "For always getting on with it and being 100% helpful! Continue doing an ace job!" and a vote for Sarah "Because she gives me lots of activity ideas".

Terri and Sarah Griffiths attended the Leaders and Managers Network meeting in Stockport this month and received training about various aspects of the Early Years Framework. We are all looking forward to the NDNA Awards ceremony next Friday, 30th June where Michelle and Sarah have been nominated for 'Manager of the Year' and 'Practitioner of the Year' awards. Wish them luck for the evening where they will find out if they have won their awards. They are winners in our eyes every day!

Terri and Vikki have also been very busy meeting the teachers from the local schools that our children will be moving onto this September. We are so lucky to have such lovely local schools in our area and although we will be sad to see the children move on, we are delighted to have been part of their formative years to get them ready for their next steps at school.

Babies - News from the baby room

Babies have enjoyed a variety of messy play activities this month including finger painting, feet painting, rice and pasta play and lovely Father's Day crafts. The babies have thrived from working in a group and the staff have been encouraging playing together and sharing resources. Our babies really enjoy transferring resources from one area to another (for example putting all of the dinosaurs into a basket/bowl/bag and then using this to take them to another area of the room to play with them there.

Next month the theme in the baby room is going to be animals and sounds - helping the babies to develop their communication and language skills.

Sarah, Niamh and Nina :)

Toddlers - News from the toddler room



The toddlers have enjoyed their topic of animals this month, which they have found fascinating. Their activities included feeding the ducks at Bramhall park

(they loved the bus ride too), visiting the library to find books about different animals, playing an animal matching game and doing printing activities using plastic animals. They have explored various messy play activities using toy animals including pink gloop, shaving foam and pasta.

Their next theme is going to be transport so once again they will choose their own books from the library relating to this topic and also go "car spotting" on a walk to the village looking at the different colours of the cars.

Debi, Tasha and Jeny

Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Pre-school have been very busy with their holiday topic and opened their own role-play travel agents, wrote postcards to family and friends, explored how we can use sand to create different textures on pictures and talked about their own holidays using their holiday photos. Their favourite activity this month was definitely role playing going on holiday - they packed their own cases and set up an area of the classroom to be their aeroplane - they even made their own tickets using stamps!

They are looking forward to their next topic which is going to be recycling. We will be learning all about the different things we can recycle and looking at the different bins that we all have and at the end of our topic we will be attempting to make our own paper! Watch this space.

Terri, Ceri and Dominique

NDNA Awards

Watch this space! The ceremony is on Friday 30th June! Fingers crossed to Michelle and Sarah Griffiths!

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 13th July - Dad's Night Out

Tuesday 25th July - Parents Evening 6:30-8pm (please can we ask for parents only to attend as we will be serving cheese and wine during the evening)

Throughout the month of July your child/ren will be going on trips out of nursery. These trips include visiting the Library, Lumb Lane Park, the greengrocers and the Sainsbury's park. We will keep you fully informed should these trips take part on a day which your child/ren attend nursery.

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 <u>enquiries@therailwaynursery.co.uk</u>.

The Railway Nursery Team