



Newsletter

October 2015

We have had another great month at The Railway this month with lots of new learning experiences occurring continuously. We have continued to develop our outdoor area adding lots of amazing resources which the children have loved exploring. Paul has been very busy making us a fantastic water wall, a lock board and we now have new white and black boards in our writing area. We are all looking forward to lots of fun times learning in these new areas.

The children received a visit from The Really Wild Show this month which was very exciting. We were able to see and learn about a variety of creatures including Rio the snake, Millie the millipede and Ozzie the bearded dragon. The children were able to experience touching and holding the creatures and had fantastic time. A favourite of all the children was getting to meet the tarantula!



We have had a great time celebrating Harvest Festival this month along with World Maths Day. All the children had a great time celebrating the Harvest Festival and loved coming to nursery dressed as farmers. We explored lots of animals in hay, paint and sand and everyone loved singing 'Old Macdonald'. Thank you to everyone who donated food for charity.

To celebrate World Maths Day pre-school explored shapes in a parachute and did some fantastic number printing. We also had lots of fun celebrating Halloween this month and have been very busy creating lots of amazing artwork. We all had a great time at our Halloween party too where the babies loved exploring pumpkin and we played lots of fun games including pass the parcel and musical bumps! All the children looked fantastic in their special costumes and had a very yummy tea which included pumpkin satsumas and spooky cakes, it was a very fun day!



We would like to thank everyone who came to our Grandparents day, it was really lovely to share some lovely activity time with you. We had lots of fun enjoying our special British Tea party and enjoying all the yummy treats Leanne had made for us.



Our team



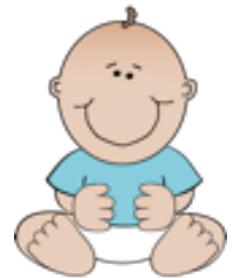
We are very excited to announce that Nina is expecting the first Railway baby. Nina is just coming up to being 4 months pregnant and her baby is due in April 16. Nina is very excited about becoming a mummy and we are all very excited to meet Baby Cassidy!

We would like to congratulate Paul who received the accolade of 'staff member of the month' in October voted for by the staff team. Paul has had

a very busy month making us lots of new resources which the children love. Paul offers support to everyone and is always busy planning his next project! Well done Paul!

Busy Babies - News from the baby room

This month the babies have been very busy doing lots of creative work for Halloween! We have been exploring lots of sensory play linking it in with Autumn such as exploring the leaves with the animals. We have also focussed on language development and role play learning to take turns and share with friends.



Next month we will be focussing on doing more group activities to continue develop our PSED (personal, social and emotional development) skills. We would like to welcome the new babies into the room who have joined us this month and wish our older babies who are moving up to Toddlers a fond farewell.

Vikki and Nina



Toddlers - News from the toddler room

This month our toddlers have been focussing on learning about pets. The toddlers have had a great time doing lots of creative play making animals and had a special visit from Rosie's kitten, which they loved! We have also been looking at lots of books with pets in them which has supported our literacy development. The toddlers have also been focussing on shapes lots enjoying shape printing, shapes in water and looking at shape flashcards.

Next month we are going to be focussing on a book theme choosing a favourite story each week to focus lots of fun activities on. If your toddler

has a favourite story at home and would like to share it with us it would be lovely if you could bring it in for the day.

Alex, Rosie and Dominique

Pre-School - News from the Pre school room

This month pre-school have enjoyed activities based around 'shapes' in the environment which included a walk in to the village taking our own photos of shapes.



Next month pre-school will be focussing on good food and bad food, taking part in lots of different activities to support their learning. Throughout this month pre-school will be continuing to focus on phonics moving on to stage 2 and re-capping stage 1 for all the new children that have joined us in pre-school.

Terri and Niamh



Dates for your diary:

Friday 6th November- We will be holding a special wear red to nursery day and taking part in lots of red activities to honour remembrance day.



Friday 13th November- We will be celebrating Children In Need by having a super hero day at nursery. All children are welcome to dress up and we will be taking parts in lots of fun activities.

Christmas Dates:



Wednesday 16th December- We will be having a very special Christmas sing song performed by the toddlers and pre-school. The performance starts at 2pm, all parents are invited to this special show.

Thursday 17th December- Our second performance of our christmas sing song will be held at 11am. All parents are welcome to have two tickets for one of our two christmas performances, please can you let us know which day you would like your tickets for, many thanks.

Thursday 17th December- We will be holding our christmas party from 2-4pm. We will be playing lots of games, having a party tea and enjoying a special visit from Father Christmas! All children are welcome to come in for the special party.

Please could we ask you to.....

Inform us about how your child has been- Please can we ask all parents when you drop your child off to ensure the staff are aware of all the relevant information they need to ensure your child has the best possible day. We understand it can be busy when your are trying to drop your child off and get to work so if you do feel there is something you didn't get chance to inform us of please could you give us a ring or send us a quick e-mail. Thank you.



Bring in warm clothes as the weather changes

As we welcome Autumn and some slightly cooler weather please could we ask that your children are dressed in clothing which will ensure they stay warm especially during outdoor play. Please could we ask all parents to bring your child with a warm waterproof coat, hat and gloves. If possible could pre-school and toddler parents please bring some wellies so we can continue to have lots of outdoor fun, thanks!

Use Learning Journals

We would like to remind all parents that you can check your child's progress by logging onto 'Learning Journals' at any time. If you would like to speak to your child's key person about their development you are welcome to at any point. All parents should now have received an email from 'learning journals'. If you do not yet have a username or password, or have any questions or queries about the online 'learning journals' package please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

Evacuate during Fire Alarm Tests

We will be testing the fire alarms every Monday, if you hear the alarm please can we ask that you evacuate to the back garden. 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