



# Newsletter

July 2017

Another busy month at The Railway nursery! Building work is well under way, we now have a full frame, flooring, a roof and even a window! If you would like to have a look at the extension works, please let one of the team know and we can show you from the garden how it is developing. As you may have noticed the temporary classroom (aka 'the cube') has been taken down. We have some more of our garden back and the children are very excited to have the slide back. Whilst the slide was tucked away inside the temporary classroom the children have been taking trips out of the nursery to the local parks, Lumb Lane and the park in the Village Square.



## Our team

The team have welcomed a new member of staff - Georgia started with us mid June and is working in all rooms getting to know all of the children and their routines. In September Georgia will be based in the pre school room working alongside Ceri, Terri and Julie.

Georgia has settled extremely well into our lovely team. So well in fact, that she was nominated 'staff member of the month', big congratulations! The staff shared some lovely comments, 'For always being helpful, friendly and great to work with', 'She is caring with the children, getting down to their level and always remaining calm even in tricky situations. She always lets the children lead their learning and adapts activities accordingly.', 'Because she is always helping with a big smile'. What lovely comments from our team!

There is a big 'well done' to be given to Sarah Griffiths and Paul. They have both completed their EYTS training, Sarah with an outcome of 'Outstanding' and Paul with an outcome of 'Good'. Both Sarah and Paul have been working extremely hard over the past 12 months, attending university, writing essays, developing their practise and bringing some amazing ideas to the nursery! So please join me in congratulating them both on their achievements.

### Babies - News from the baby room

The babies have been very busy exploring a number of group activities this month. This has helped their Personal, Social and Emotional development and their Communication and Language. The babies have been expressing themselves whilst exploring new activities, some they have loved and others they were a little unsure of.

Throughout the month of August the babies will be looking at 'Summer' and exploring the outdoors. If you have been own any adventures with your baby during the weekends then please feel free to share photos via email and we can display in the room.

Sarah, Niamh and Nina :)



### Toddlers - News from the toddler room

Throughout the month of July the Toddlers have been looking at 'transport'. They have made tracks with different vehicles in paint and in sand too. The tracks were made on flat paper and with paper stuck onto the slide, exploring different ways of movement.

The toddlers have also had trip to the train station and watched as the trains went past, they went so fast!

Throughout the month of August the Toddlers will be talking about 'Healthy Eating', they will be making their own foods like bread and fruit kebabs. If you would like to share any recipes with us then please do let us know and we can have a go making them with the children!

Debi, Tasha and Jeny

## Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Preschool have been very busy exploring the topic 'all about recycling' We have been saving empty containers to recycle and placing them in the correct recycling bin. As this is a big topic and still lots more to do Pre school will continue this theme throughout the month of August.

Pre-school have enjoyed planting sunflowers and exploring books about planting, The sunflowers have started to grow and all the children have been taking measurements of their sunflowers.

Its that time of year when we say goodbye to some of our preschool who are starting big school soon. The children that are going to school in September have been exploring books about their school, sharing their settling in experience with all the other children. Good Luck at big school.

Terri, Ceri and Dominique

## NDNA Awards

Did we mention that we our team were shortlisted for 2 NDNA awards? If you have forgotten, then here is a reminder!

Michelle was nominated for the 'Manager of the Year 2017' she did an amazing telephone interview earlier in the year, and she looked amazing at he awards ceremony. Michelle was up against 8 other manager and unfortunately did not win. But don't worry Michelle, you are manager of the year to all of us!

Sarah Griffiths was nominate for 'Practitioner of the Year 2017', she had an interview with officials from NDNA face to face, and absolutely smashed it! Sarah was announced as the winner 'Practitioner of the Year 2017'. Very big congratulations to you Sarah! A video of Sarah collecting her award can be found on our nursery Facebook page, so please feel free to go and have a nosey.

## Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 9th August - Beach Day, please feel free to dress in beach attire and join in the fun activities

Wednesday 16th August - Super Hero Day, come to nursery dress as your favourite superhero and join in the fun activities!

Friday 18th August - Teddy Bears Picnic 3-4pm, this is open for parents to attend, a play session and picnic

Tuesday 22nd August - Pre School Graduation 4-6pm, please speak with Terri, Vikki or Ceri for further details

Monday 28th August - Public Bank Holiday (nursery will be closed today)

**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](mailto:enquiries@therailwaynursery.co.uk).

The Railway Nursery Team