



Newsletter

May 2017

Hello sunshine! We are all delighted to be enjoying the glorious sunshine at the moment, long may it stay! We enjoyed seeing lots of our lovely families at the Duck Race this month which was a popular event in the community. Our children and staff threw themselves into our pyjama day this month, I have to say it was a very comfortable day all round and we may have to pop another one in the diary soon! The children embraced the literacy theme and read lots of their favourite stories in their pyjamas which was superb.

We are excited to confirm that we have now had our final pre-project meeting with our building and planning team and that they will be starting work on 5th June for our pre-school extension. The project will be done in various stages, as outlined in our recent e-mail and we are having a temporary classroom erected in the garden this week before the project starts. The toddler room will be closed during part of the project to ensure everybody's safety and the toddler children will be busy learning and exploring in their outdoor classroom. The children are excited about the builders coming in and we will be setting up various role-play activities to follow this theme throughout the nursery. Watch this space for further updates on the project and also our Facebook page which will be regularly updated with lots of photos to keep you posted!



Our team

Staff member of the month this month goes to Ceri Milton. Comments from the team included “Ceri is amazing - always willing to help and has lots of fab ideas!” “Ceri is always there for you.” “For helping me with my Maths exams.” Lovely comments and very well deserved, well done Ceri.

Vikki has been busy on her 12 hour paediatric First-Aid course and also completed her SENDCO (Special Educational Needs) training in May which she will be sharing with the team throughout the year. Paul enjoyed a meeting with local nursery providers across Stockport and this was a great opportunity to discuss best practice and share knowledge amongst settings. The nursery world is such a friendly one and meetings like this always benefit everybody involved which is fantastic.

Babies - News from the baby room

Babies have been busy exposing their theme of transport in May and painting using cars was a particular favourite! They enjoyed exploring how different modes of transport move using wheels and wings! In June the babies will be learning about shapes by printing with them, exploring shape sorted and mastering some jigsaws! They will explore different shape patterns in the sand too and obviously get involved in lots of messy play!!

Sarah, Niamh and Nina :)



Toddlers - News from the toddler room

The toddlers have focused on literacy this month and enjoyed learning about different stories. Goldilocks and the 3 bears was a theme that they used throughout the month to engage them further in their learning. The staff and children were very excited about the Teddy Bears Picnic and it certainly did not disappoint! I'm sure you all enjoyed the photographs! The children went hunting for teddy bear books at the library and tracked some down! The toddlers are going to focus on animals and insects this month and are looking forward to a trip to the garden centre this month to see some fish! The toddlers are also going to start looking at “colour of the week” and will be exploring a different colour each week using a sensory bag.

Debi, Tasha and Jeny

Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Pre-school have thoroughly enjoyed their topic all about families and we have shared some lovey thoughts and stories with each other. Self portraits

are also becoming more refined and have been the talk of pre-school this past month! In June our topic is "holidays" and the children have enjoyed sharing holiday photos and role-playing going to the airport. The children have immersed themselves in our new 'travel agent' role play area and have been showing lots of interest in our big map. We are also planning a beach day this month!

Terri, Ceri and Dominique

Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

Thank you to all those parents and children for depositing your vouchers we have collected over 1600 vouchers this year which is definitely a record! We are so grateful to everybody as we have been able to order some new toys for the garden including alphabet bean bags, footprints and handprints and various different balls. Our new equipment should be delivered in the next few weeks.

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! We will be updating you on Facebook in the evening live from the awards!!

Dates for your diary:

Friday 2nd June - Toddler trip to Woodford Garden Centre to see the fish! Please make sure all children have a sun hat, have had sun cream applied and have suitable footwear and a raincoat. Thank you.

Friday 16th June - Father's Day Breakfast! Please come and join us for a special breakfast if your child attends on a Friday from 8.30 - 9.00am on Friday 16th June.

Thursday 22nd June - Mums night out! See you in the Bubble Room anytime from 7.30pm.

Friday 23rd June - Pre-School trip to the fish and chip shop (as voted for by pre-school council!) Please make sure all children have a sun hat, have had sun cream applied and have suitable footwear and a raincoat. Thank you.

Friday 30th June - NDNA Awards - cross your fingers for Michelle and Sarah who have both been nominated for an award this year! We will be updating you on Facebook as the action happens!

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.

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