



Newsletter

May 2019

Wow, where did the month of May disappear to? We have enjoyed all kinds of weathers and plenty of exciting activities throughout the month. We had a visit from the Fire Department with their Fire Engine. All of the children had great fun listening to all the jobs that the FireFighters have to do, we dressed Marta up in the full FireFighter outfit and we even got to go outside and see the fire engine and sit inside!

Pre school have enjoyed a further 2 Forest School sessions, thank you to Ceri Milton for all of her hard work going into these sessions. Ceri is completing a portfolio of evidence to support her learning, which will be presented at final training later this year. It has been an absolute joy watching the children explore their natural outdoor environment, and we can already see these sessions are helping the children to build their self confidence.

The children have continued to enjoy extra curricular activities each week, these will continue after the half term break as follows;

Monday - Blooming Kids Drama session for pre school

Monday - Speech and Language support sessions for toddlers and pre school with Helen Adkins (private speech and language therapist)

Wednesday - Jo Jingles sessions for babies and toddlers

Friday - Football sessions with 8by8 for pre school

In September we are going to review the extra curricular activities we offer at nursery and look to change the dates and people coming to visit us. This will help the children learn about something new. We would love to hear if you have any suggestions of what we could explore next.



Our team

Congratulations to May's staff member of the month - Tasha! We really enjoy all voting for somebody at the end of each month, it helps us all reflect on the month we have just had and all the hard work we all put into our amazing jobs. Here is what some of the staff said about Tasha 'working above and beyond in the baby room', 'for being so kind and supportive', 'she knows the children so well and is professional in everything she does.' Such amazing comments, well done Tasha!

We are also excited to announce that we have made the decision to give one of our amazing team the title of - 3rd in Charge Nursery Nurse. Georgia has now been promoted to our 3rd in Charge and will support the senior team in any decisions made for the nursery. Georgia is keen to learn more about the roles and responsibilities that lie within the office. Please join us in congratulating Georgia on her promotion!

Babies - News from the baby room

Babies have enjoyed looking at animals this month, the book of the month was 'Dear Zoo'. The babies have loved looking at this lift the flap book and have tried making the sounds of the different animals. Tasha had a visit to the zoo and took lots of photos of the animals to share with the babies. They have enjoyed looking at these photos, listening to the sounds that the animals make and even had a go at painting the animals. The toy animals have been added to lots of different messy play this month to explore further. We even have a visit from ZooLab booked in (the visit in May was cancelled and rescheduled for June). The month of June the babies will be looking at the book 'we are going on a bear hunt' and exploring lots of activities!

Tasha, Lydia and Mary :)

Toddlers - News from the toddler room

The toddler children have also explored animals this month, there have been lots of sensory activities for the children to explore and hide the animals in. Nina had a great idea of cutting some of herbs from the baby garden and added them to other natural resources with the animals for the children to explore. The toddler room smelt lovely that day! The children have also been looking at the display board to see what animals match up

to different paw prints. The toddlers will also be having a visit from ZooLab, this was rescheduled from May and will be at the beginning of June.

In the month of June the staff are going to support the toddlers mathematical development by looking at numbers. Debi has already got to work to make a new interactive display for the children to explore all around numbers!

Debi, Niamh, Nina and Charlotte

Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Pre school have explored 'Space' this month. There have been so many wonderful activities going on in pre school, making space rockets, painting their own planets, making moon dough to explore with the space rocket and space people, which then lead to the children making marks in the dough and some children writing their names. Julie has created some great science experiments for the children to explore, one including posting mints into a coca cola bottle to see an amazing reaction and the coca cola shoot up to the sky!

For the month of June the pre school children will be developing their imaginations further by exploring the story of 'Mary Poppins'.

Terri, Ceri, Julie, Georgia and Marta.

Please could we remind you.....

Notice Period

We would like to remind parents that our notice period for changing days at nursery or leaving the nursery is 2 months. As you may be aware, we are very full and have waiting lists in place for parents who are awaiting spaces in the future so if you do know your child will be leaving before they are due to start school, please let us know to help us manage our waiting lists. We have multiple enquiries every day for places from new families but are currently totally full and struggling to fit everybody in. We do sometimes have availability for extra sessions on certain days so please speak to a member of the team if you would like to enquire about an extra session for your child.

Front door policy

We have a number of new families that have joined our lovely Railway Nursery, we would like you to join us in giving a warm welcome! Please can we give a gentle remind to all of our nursery families about the nursery front door policy. Only Railway Nursery staff are allowed to let anybody into the nursery building. If you are on your way out of the building and see somebody at the door, please can you get the attention of any staff member to let them in. Thank you to all of our families for their continued support.

Holidays/Absences

Can we kindly ask that if any children are going to be on holiday over the next few weeks to let us know. This helps us to arrange staff holidays too and offer additional holidays over the summer if we can.

Also, if your child is unwell and not able to attend nursery, please do let us know so we can cater accordingly for the day. This can be done via email or a quick phone call in the morning.

We really appreciate your support with this and thank you to the families that have already let us know about holidays.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 7th June - 9:30am ZooLab visiting nursery with various different animals to meet all of the children

Friday 7th June - Queen's Birthday, the children will help the Queen celebrate her birthday by making birthday cakes and having a tea party

Wednesday 12th June - Forest School session

Thursday 13th June - Free session with 'Pop Up Percussion', this is a new extra curricular activity we may introduce in September

Monday 17th June - 8:30am, Fathers Day breakfast, stay with your child for breakfast or alternatively take a tasty pastry to work with you

Tuesday 25th June - Forest School session

Wednesday 3rd July - Pre school graduation photos being taken today, if your child does not attend Wednesday please speak to Terri for further arrangements

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
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The Railway Nursery Team