

Newsletter

November 2019

Wow! November seems to have come and gone in a flash! As I'm sure you will have seen, the nursery has already started to look and feel a little bit Christmassy as we prepare to start one of our most exciting months of the year! The weather has also turned and we now find ourselves in much colder temperatures with morning and evening frosts - we may even get some snow soon! We have a very busy month ahead and although we are pretty full with all of our lovely families, we have odd days available as extra sessions if you need to squeeze in some last minute Christmas shopping - just ask one of of our friendly team to check any dates you may need.



Our team

Congratulations to our staff member of the month, Tasha! Our team all have a vote each and then they get counted to then declare the winner for the month. The comments about Tasha included very high praise, like "She's like Superwoman! Very organised and great in the busy baby room!"

Our staff have been busy with various training courses this month including 'Understanding the Unique Needs of Babies' for our baby room team Tasha and Lydia. Georgia has attended a specific speech and language course about how to assess children's language development in the Early Years. Our newest member of staff Emily has also attended her paediatric First Aid training course to ensure she is up to speed with the latest knowledge and safe practice. As you probably saw on Facebook, Ceri has now passed her

week-long practical Forest School assessment course and now has the next 3 months to complete her portfolio of work which will also be assessed. So we have all been very busy ensuring we have all of the skills we need to provide the outstanding care for your children.

Babies - News from the baby room

Babies enjoyed lots of Remembrance day activities including crafts and trips out of nursery and lots and lots of red craft activities. They also enjoyed creating bonfire night pictures and Children In Need activities, all organised by our lovely baby room team. They are now busy practising their music making for our baby Christmas Sing-along on 16th December at 2.30pm at the nursery. We hope you will be able to join us with your little ones to get into the Christmas spirit! They have waved goodbye to some of the older babies who have moved across to our toddler room and welcomed some new faces into nursery too, which is lovely.

Tasha and Lydia

Toddlers - News from the toddler room

Toddlers book of the month has been 'We can get dressed'. The toddlers have been encouraged to practise their self-care skills such as getting themselves ready to go outside and using a knife and fork. At the beginning of the month they took part in remembrance day with a trip to the cenotaph. They also made some poppies and decorated them. It has been children in need week this month and the toddlers enjoyed baking cakes to raise money for the charity. We hoped you enjoyed eating them! Next month the toddler book of the month will be 'The Nativity' to go alongside all our Christmas activities. They will be talking about the characters of the story, who Mary and Joseph are and the story behind Christmas.

Debi, Niamh, Nina and Charlotte

Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Pre school had a fantastic themed 'Bonfire Night' day which involved a real fire to toast marshmallows on and lots of Guy Fawkes themed activities. The Pre-School children also enjoyed learning about Remembrance Day and Children In Need and they are now very busy rehearing for their Christmas sing-along which is on Tuesday 10th December at 2.00pm at Benja Fold Scout Hut. We look forward to seeing you there!

Terri, Ceri, Julie, Georgia, Marta and Olivia.

Please could we remind you.....

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.

We have a fancy new bell at the front door too, one that calls the individual rooms for entry. If you are in the baby room please call the toddler room when you arrive. Please can we also ask all parents to say who is at the door to ensure we know who is in the building.

Fire alarm

Please be aware if you are on site on a Monday morning's the fire alarm may sound. This is the time we test our fire alarm and all rooms are made aware of this beforehand. If a member of staff asks you to exit the building it is not a drill. Please follow our fire procedure and meet in the garden so everyone can be accounted for.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 10th December - Pre-School Christmas Sing-Along 2:00pm - Benja Fold Scout Hut

Thursday 12th December - Toddler Christmas Sing-Along 2:00pm (Led by Jo Jingles)

Monday 16th December - Babies Christmas Sing-Along 2:30pm

Tuesday 17th December - Forest School

(Pre-School parents please check email to see if your child has a forest school session this day)

Wk Beginning 16th December - Collecting food for Wellspring (Tinned food with ring pull, hat, scarves, gloves, selection boxes, biscuits, tea, coffee.)

Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Dinner Day (Children who attend this day)

Friday 20th December - Christmas Party Day (Children who attend this day)

25th/26th December - NURSERY CLOSED - MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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