Newsletter

Summer 2021

Welcome to the Summer edition of our newsletter. We have all been very busy with various projects which have all been very exciting. We have spent lots of time re-organising the garden and cleaned all of the play surfaces then built a picket fence around our mud kitchen area to contain the mud within this area. The children absolutely love this and it has been even more popular than before with lots of busy children making potions, mud cakes and digging! We also have a new outdoor music wall which Paul has designed and then built and the water wall will be installed over the next few weeks too. The front garden has also been tidied up and we have put new wooden logs along the side of the path which makes it all look a lot neater too. Everyone has been helping Ceri to water her pot plants which attract the bees and the children enjoy looking at the flowering plants and smelling them too.

Inside the nursery we have repainted the whole building which has really brightened it all up and we have spent time redesigning the space in our sensory room with new resources and focus areas for relaxation. Children have quiet group times in here and enjoy yoga and stretching sessions and they also have a large wigwam style tent which they can crawl into to have some quiet time with a book or lying on a cushion before deciding what activity they would like to explore next.

Now that the Covid-19 restrictions have all been lifted we really can't wait to welcome parents back into nursery again and we can get back to our usual routines which now seem like a distant memory! Rebecca will be in touch with further details by the end of this week as we are just liaising with our Early Years Team in Stockport.

Our Team

Congratulations to our staff member of the month this month - Alice! Alice has been working across all of the rooms throughout the nursery, getting to know the children and their routines and introducing them to some exciting new activities. Comments from the team about Alice included; “Alice is always willing to help where necessary, bringing new ideas to nursery and implementing them to help the children. She has such a fantastic attitude and the children have really taken to her!”

We have also said an extremely fond farewell to Marta from our Pre-School team who has been an absolute asset to the nursery, bringing such fun ideas and her green fingers have encouraged many plants to grow from tiny seeds! Marta has left for a more senior position to make progress in her career in childcare.

Babies - News from the baby room

The babies have had so much fun exploring their revamped Sensory room and have been enjoying tummy time and stretching out their muscles through children’s yoga poses.

The babies have also enjoyed exploring soil in their sensory garden and have splashed in big trays of water to cool down in the hot weather we had a couple of weeks ago. They have been reading lots of books at group time and then used their books to create themed days to continue their learning through different activities.

The Olympics were a big hit in the baby room and their favourite sport was definitely football. They passed the ball to each other in different ways - using their feet, hands and sometimes whole bodies!

Tasha, Natalie and Megan.

Toddlers - News from the toddler room

The toddlers have also enjoyed all of the Olympic themed activities at nursery and their favourite sports were more of the ‘track and field’ variety - running races and obstacle races!

They have enjoyed lots of picnics outside in the sunshine and they are really embracing the new mud kitchen area outside. Thank you to all of the parents who have sent in holiday photos as it stimulates the children to tell everyone more details about their holiday during our conversations at mealtimes and group times. Lots of children have been on similar holidays this year so it has been lovely for them to compare their experiences though discussion.

Niamh, Debi, Matty and Alice.

Pre-School - News from the pre-school room

Our Pre-School children have created a huge display about Summer which has then led to lots of imaginative role-play around summertime activities including going to the seaside and going to the park for picnics. They have been on various trips into the wider neighbourhood, exploring footpaths and looking for mini beasts under the fallen leaves.

They embraced the Olympics theme too and enjoyed lots of different physical activities and challenges and some of them even created their own 'Olympic' sports which demonstrated their creative mindsets!

They have read lots of stories about friendship and kindness and have talked about starting school and how there will be new friendships and bigger classrooms and spaces to explore. We are looking forward to our Graduation Celebration for all of our School Leavers and their families on Saturday 21st August from 10am - 12pm. We will be celebrating with a presentation in caps and gowns, a Photo Story which will be shown on a big screen, a bouncy castle and some food and drinks. We will be celebrating outside so please dress for the British weather!

Terri, Olivia, Nina, Sue, Georgia and Ceri.

Please could we remind you…..

Face Coverings

We would like to thank you for your continued support at drop off and collection times with wearing face masks to help protect our team and other families.

Clothing

We would like to remind everyone to bring in suitable outdoor clothing every day as we take the children into the garden whatever the weather. Please bring in wellies or snow boots, waterproof coats, hats, scarves and gloves and lots of spare clothes to change into if they do get wet. Warm socks are also important in this weather to keep their toes toasty as otherwise wellies can feel cold. We appreciate your support with this. Hopefully we will need to crack open the suncream soon too!

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