Newsletter

April 2022

Welcome to our April Newsletter and what an exciting month we have had - our Living Eggs have been absolutely fascinating for everyone and such an educational experience for all of the children, they loved watching them all hatch and then all took part in caring for the chicks and gave them so much care and attention!

It was lovely to spend some quality time outside of nursery on Mum's night - we went to the Crown and Conspirator in the village and there was lots going on - a painting session was in full swing in the back room and a brand new Vegan restaurant had just opened upstairs too. We had a lovely time and we are already looking forward to the next one, I know some of you were unable to make this one so we are looking forward to seeing you at the next one.

We have also been busy celebrating Eid at nursery and Tanzeela answered lots of the children's questions and brought in lots of from home to show the children to help bring their learning to life and they particularly enjoyed eating the dates!

Our Team

Congratulations to our staff member of the month for April - Tanzeela! Each month everyone votes for someone who they feel has stood out for being amazing and they are rewarded with an early finish and a mention in the Newsletter.

Some of the votes for Tanzeela included, “She is really enthusiastic, always smiling, very pleasant and follows instructions well. Tanzeela’s work about Eid was AMAZING!”

“Well done for keeping on going during Ramadan. Love the photos of your traditional Muslim items, the children all looked so interested. Thank you for teaching us all.”

“Tanzeela is such a fantastic role model and was brilliant at teaching everyone so much about Eid. Thank you!”

Congratulations to Tanzeela, a throughly deserved award.

Ceri and Paul have been busy giving the nursery gardens a Springtime makeover involving lots of cleaning, repairing and jet-washing! The children helped where they could and everyone has been very pleased with the results! We are in the process of ordering some new resources and equipment for our gardens too which will be arriving over the next few weeks, watch this space! We are also very privileged to be working with “Bramhall in Bloom’ who have been kind enough to help us with our gardening, sharing their expertise and knowledge with us and they will be coming back in May to do some planting with the children.

News from our Baby and Toddler Room

We have welcomed lots of new babies to nursery this month and everyone is settling in well and having lots of fun in their new environment. The babies and toddlers enjoyed spending time with the chicks in their room, lots of them wanted to handle the chicks and were encouraged to use their “gentle hands” when they were touching them as the chicks were very small when they first hatched. By the time they left us to go back to the farm they had already started to grow their adult feathers.

We have been learning all about Ramadan and Tanzeela talked to the children about fasting and brought in various traditional Muslim items including her prayer mat and a hijab.

The children have all been very busy with all kinds of messy play which is a great way for them to explore and learn about the world around them. Please bear in mind that we have lots of opportunities for the children to learn through messy play so please don't bring any of their "best" clothes to nursery!

Chloe, Natalie, Allie, Vikki and Tanzeela.

Pre-School - News from the Pre-School Room

Our Pre-School children were very enthusiastic about celebrating the Queen's birthday and enjoyed making her a card which they sent to her, singing the National Anthem and posing for lots of photos with their hand made crowns! They have been learning about plants and measuring how rapidly they grow. Their phonics sessions have been focussing on the sounds s, a, t, p, i and n and they have enjoyed lots of different activities around these sounds. There have been lots of team work activities to help the children to build their Personal, Social and Emotional skills and our Forest School sessions really help children to develop these skills too.

The children have also been involved with lots of water play outside, using different measuring cylinders and transporting the water between containers. The children are looking forward to continuing their gardening sessions in May with "Bramhall in Bloom."

Please can we also remind parents to bring full waterproofs in and a small rucksack for the children to carry their water bottle in when they are going to Forest School, they also like to collect things from the Forest on occasion and they enjoy the responsibility of carrying it in their own bag.

Terri, Niamh, Sue, Alice, Kirsty and Ceri.

Please could we remind you about…..

Parent Questionnaires

Thank you for taking the time to complete these and return them to us, it really helps us to ensure we are providing the best service we can and we are always looking to improve! Please can we encourage you to complete these and return them to us, it would be most appreciated. We will update all parents in next month's newsletter of actions we are taking based on the feedback we have collated.

Clothing/Suncream

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 coats/waterproof suits and wellies for children even on sunnier days as we use these when playing in the mud kitchen in the garden. If the forecast is particularly sunny please can we ask you to apply suncream before dropping your child off at nursery which makes the transition to the garden after breakfast so much quicker and we will then top up with suncream throughout the day as necessary. We also encourage children to wear sun hats in the garden so don't forget these to help the children to stay cool on the hotter days.

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