



Newsletter - March

Our quality of education

The new layout of our newsletter is to highlight the areas which will be inspected by Ofsted.

- This term we have had the pleasure of welcoming Sam and Claire to our team. They are already liaising with families and playing key roles in the children's learning and development.
- It was a very valuable opportunity to meet with parents to share the reports of our 2 -3year olds and next steps were set and shared. Some of our children have transitioned in to a new room where their interests have led the way for quality interactions and teaching.
- Parents of the pre-school children (in the Red Roses room) will be invited in during March for a meeting with their key person to discuss progress, school readiness and next steps.
- In the Rainbow room, the babies are being challenged in their play as they explore their ever changing learning environment and curious resources. A date for their parent's evening will follow shortly.
- We are planning to enhance our entrances to make them a much more useful parent resource with a variety of tips for home learning, child development tips, communication and language information and much more. Please be patient as we develop these areas thank you.

Our behaviour and attitudes

- At Nursery, children of all ages are demonstrating positive attitudes to their learning. Please can we ask that you bring in regular home link sheets to let us know of special occasions, events or moments captured at home. Children love to share these during circle time with their friends which does wonders for their confidence.
- Self-help skills are being developed as part of the daily routine, babies feed themselves at social mealtimes and the older children serve snacks to their friends and the use of good manners and behaviours are highly praised.

Our personal development

- Children are encouraged to manage their own personal needs. We will happily

support you and your child as they enter the world of toilet training. Please ask staff for support and advice.

- Each child has a positive relationship with their key person. This enables them to form secure attachments and promotes their well-being and independence. Throughout the day we see children wanting to do things for themselves and help each other.
- During the course of the day there are jobs which willing helpers will get the opportunity to do, such as feed our pet snails, set the tables for mealtimes or even pair up the muddy wellies.

Our leadership and management

- Nursery has been on a journey over the past, what seems like forever. We have changed rooms, enhanced learning environments and assessed how we group our children. Our efforts are now paying off and the proof is in the children.
- Please could I ask that you all complete our questionnaire to aid us in our ongoing Nursery development? Thank you.
- Staff training is ongoing. All staff have updated their Safeguard training, Quality provision training was very worthwhile as staff cascade their new knowledge and ideas during our monthly staff meeting.
- During our monthly staff meetings we have the children at the heart of all we do and we use development plans to keep us on track with future developments.
- As Sam is now settled in her new role with the under twos, she will soon be enrolled on an apprenticeship scheme with Blackpool and The Fylde College. The Early Educators Level 3 course will build on her current knowledge and skills and further enhance her knowledge of the complexity of child development.

Home links

- The theme for March is Science. We use this as a starting point for children's learning and continue to follow their interests and build on what they already know.
- Please bring in family photos, material, old mobile phones and any other items of interest that we could add to our curiosity cube.

Dates for your diary

- WORLD BOOK DAY, if your child attends Nursery on Thursday 5th March, please could they come dressed as their favourite book character and bring along the book to share with friends.
- 11th March National Oral Health Survey, selected children only.
- 10th and 13th April Nursery closed for Bank Holiday