



## February 2020 Newsletter

### Dates for your Diary

#### **March 2020**

- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Usborne Books in Nursery for the day  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> - World Book Day  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> - Parent Information Evening 6pm  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> - Red nose day  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> - Mother's Day Celebration

#### **April 2020**

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> - Good Friday – Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Easter Monday – Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed

#### **May 2020**

- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> - Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> - Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed

#### **June 2020**

- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> - Summer Fayre  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> - Father's Day Celebration

#### **July 2020**

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> - Parents Evening 6pm  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - School Leavers Tea

### Interests and Activities in Nursery

#### Roos

The children have been enjoying the mood light table, this interest will be extended to include investigating a rope light, introducing a variety of sensory play with a sensory board, bead run, textured materials, listening to a variety of different music and more. These activities will encourage the children to explore and experiment with a range of media and to move their whole bodies to sounds they enjoy.

**Parent participation** – Encourage your child to investigate different textures at home for example a sponge, shower pouf, scourer, carpet etc.

#### Piglets

The children are enjoying a variety of stories at the moment. This interest will be extended by introducing story sacks and props as well as creating displays around the children's favourite stories such as 'The Hungry Caterpillar.' We will also be looking at colours with a particular interest in red, green, blue and yellow. These activities will encourage the children to listen with interest to the noises adults make when they read stories and begin to take an interest in the different colours.

**Parent participation** – Please bring in different coloured objects from home for your child to show the other children in the room.

### Tiggers

The children have been enjoying a variety of cooking activities over the last couple of weeks and we will be extending this interest by making fruit kebabs, cookies and pizza. These activities will encourage the children to talk about why things happen and how things work as well as to describe the texture of things.

**Parent participation** – Please involve your child with cooking and baking at home, encourage them to help you measure out the ingredients and teach them an awareness of temperatures as in the fridge is cold and the oven is hot.

### Christopher Robins

The children are enjoying making different creations using gluing, cutting and sticking with different paper such as magazines and tracing paper. This interest will be extended to making 3D models using junk/recycled materials encouraging the children to build and secure their models using string and tape.

**Parent participation** – Please bring in empty boxes and containers for the children to use to make 3D models with (no toilet rolls, boxes that held any nut products, raw meat etc, thank you).

## Nursery News

### Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who returned the Parent Questionnaire. We received some wonderful comments and also a few ideas for areas of improvement for the nursery. Please find attached the reply which includes some of the lovely comments we received, the areas for improvement and what we are going to do to make these improvements. If you have any questions please speak to Becky.

### Paediatric First Aid

All the staff in the nursery update their Paediatric First Aid Training every three years and some of them will be doing this on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020. Some parents have taken us up on the offer of joining us on this training, we still have a few spaces left, if you would like to join this training please speak to Becky or Jasmin.

### World Book Day

This year world book day is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, to tie in with this we will be conducting a sponsored read and we also have Usborne Books in nursery for the day on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. More details to follow.

### Parent Information Evening - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Our Parent Information Evening is Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. During the evening there will be a presentation on School Readiness for all the parents of those children who will be starting school in September 2020. There will also be information regarding toilet training, behaviour, language development, food and nutrition etc. Please let the office know if you have any ideas for areas that you would like us to provide information on for this evening, thank you.

### Policies of the month

Please find attached the Safeguarding Policy and the Health and Safety Policy for you information. If you would like a copy of a policy, please speak to the office. We welcome feedback or suggestions on our policies or procedures, please speak to Becky if you have any.