

## March 2020 Newsletter

# **Dates for your Diary**

#### March 2020

2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March - Ready Steady Listen – Sponsored Listen

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 10th - Good Friday - Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed

Monday 13th - Easter Monday - Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed

# May 2020

Friday 8th - Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed

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

### June 2020

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> – Summer Fayre

Friday 19th – Father's Day Celebration

### July 2020

Thursday 9th - Parents Evening 6pm

Friday 17th - School Leavers Tea

# **Interests and Activities in Nursery**

#### Roos

The children in Roos are joining in with Book Week by showing an interest in a variety of books read by the adults in the room. This interest will be extended by encouraging the children to make sounds relating to the pictures in the books for example the sound that a horse, cow, duck. car, train or plane makes encouraging the children to imitate words and sounds.

**Parent participation** – Read a variety of books with your child at home and encourage them to make different sounds such as for animals and vehicles etc.

#### **Piglets**

The children are interested in the wooden letterbox and posting objects. This interest will be extended by providing a variety of posting activities such as posting objects through tubes, decorating Piglets own post box and making letters to post into it. The children will also have an opportunity to go for a walk to the local post box. These activities will encourage the children to pretend that one object represents another, especially when objects have characteristics in common and to begin to ask questions.

**Parent participation** – Why not write a letter with your child, take them to the post box to post it and then wait for it to arrive through your letterbox. Also any donations of tubes, cardboard, plastic, drainpipes etc, would be gratefully received, thank you.

# **Tiggers**

The children are enjoying listening to a variety of stories for Book Week. This interest will be extended by introducing story sacks and stories with puppets, the children will also be encouraged to join in acting out stories such as The Bear Hunt and the Three Little Pigs both in the room and in the garden. The children will also have an opportunity to visit the library in the college. These activities will encourage the children to listen with interest to stories and to repeat words or phrases from familiar stories.

**Parent participation** – Enjoy a variety of stories at home and talk about the characters in them with your child. **Christopher Robins** 

The children's interest in making different creations on the art table continues with particular interest in using recycled materials to make 3D models. We are now introducing different textured resources and various types of card for the children to use on their creations. To extend this interest and as part of our Book Week activities the children will be encouraged to make models and puppets of characters from their favourite books using the resources available. These activities will encourage the children to describe main story settings, events and key characters and to begin to be interested and describe the texture of things.

**Parent participation** – Enjoy a variety of stories at home and talk about the characters in them with your child.

## **Nursery News**

# **Congratulations**

We are excited to announce that Chloe has given birth to a beautiful baby girl - Millie Jane born at 11.32am on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Chloe and Dan and cannot wait to meet the new arrival.

## Coronavirus - COVID-19

With regard to the Coronavirus we are following the Public Health England and Department for Educations

COVID-19 - Guidance for Educational Settings. I have attached this guidance for your information and there are

paper copies in the office, if you would like one please speak to Becky.

We have large posters on display in the nursery from Public Heath England showing advice on the coronavirus for places of education. Our cleaning and hygiene routines are very robust and I have asked the cleaners to clean all door handles throughout the nursery on a daily basis. You can help us in this area by washing your hands and/or using the hand sanitiser situated on the wall in the foyer every time you come into the nursery. Communication is also key in this area so please speak to Becky or Jasmin if you are going to or have returned from a specified country, if you have been in contact with someone who is in quarantine, has a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19, thank you. We will keep you updated with information as we receive it.

### Ready Steady Listen and World Book Day

I hope you are all joining in with the Ready, Steady, Listen – Sponsored listen with your child this week. Your support in this means that the nursery will be able to buy books for your child to enjoy both in nursery and from the Lending Library.

Don't forget Julie from Usborne books is in nursery today, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, where you can use your World Book
Day token towards payment for a book. Julie has left leaflets and a brochure if you would like to order from these
please speak to the office

Also it is lovely seeing the children coming into nursery dressed up as their favourite book characters, I hope this continues for the rest of the week.

# Parent Information Evening – 6:15-7:30pm Thursday 12th March 2020

Don't forget our Parent Information Evening on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 6:15pm. 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 teething, toilet training, behaviour, language development etc.

There will also be refreshments and chocolate biscuits so why not come along and join us.