



## April 2021 Newsletter

### Dates for your Diary

#### April 2020

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Good Friday – Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Easter Monday – Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed

#### June 2020

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Photographer in nursery

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Photographer in nursery

#### July 2020

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Staff Training Day – Nursery closed

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening 6pm (To be confirmed at a later date)

### Interests and Activities in Nursery

#### Roos

The children are showing a lot of interest in animal puzzles, animal books and listening to nature sounds. We will extend this interest by introducing a variety of animal themed activities including animal printing with shaving foam and paint, animal matching games and different small world animals from zoos to jungles to farms. These activities will encourage the children to explore a range of media and materials and to enjoy playing with small world models.

**Parent participation** – Please upload photos of any pets onto Tapestry for us to share with all the children. Look for and talk about insects and animals in your garden and while out for walks with you child.

#### Piglets

The children continue to be interested in insects, mini beasts and birds. We will extend this interest by offering a variety of activities including creating craft mini beast and insects, sensory activities with mini beasts, listening to nature noises and songs of birds outside and on the tablet, number and matching mini beast games etc. These activities will encourage the children to notice detailed features of objects in their environment and to recite some number names in sequence.

**Parent participation** – While in your garden or on walks talk about and count what you can see and hear with your child. Please upload any pictures onto Tapestry.

#### Tiggers

The children have spent a long time investigating different food related sensory activities including shaving foam ice creams, cornflour fried eggs, dough and cress etc. We will extend this interest in food by introducing a variety of fruit and vegetable related activities including fruit and vegetable printing, tasting different fruit and vegetables, finding out how plants grow, and colour matching fruit and vegetable games. These activities will encourage the children to be interested in and describe the texture of things and to talk about some of the things they observe.

**Parent participation** – Plant some vegetable with your child and watch how they grow, discussing the different stages and what plants need for them to be able to grow.

#### Christopher Robins

The children have been noticing and commenting on the change of weather and we have been talking about the change in seasons from winter to spring. We will continue this interest by giving the children the opportunity to plant seeds and see how they grow and develop. They will also have an opportunity to help look after the seeds and seedlings encouraging them to understand what plants need to grow and develop an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time.

**Parent participation** – While in for your garden or out for a walk with your child talk about what you can see such as spring flowers, blossom on the trees, the change in the weather etc.

#### Sponsored Listen and World Book Day

A Massive Thank You to everyone who joined in with the sponsored read and bought books from Usborne Books. The nursery has been able to order an unbelievable £800.00 worth of books for your children to enjoy in nursery. Absolutely amazing!!

#### Masks

Polite Reminder – Please ensure you continue to wear a mask while dropping off and collecting your child. I know we are easing out of lockdown, however, for you and your child's safety and that of the staff members please continue to wear a mask, thank you.

#### Illness, Medication and Immunisation Policy

We have had many parents asking for reminders with regard to our illness and medication policy. Please find attached a copy for your information.

#### Staff Training Day – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Every year we hold a Staff Training Day and this year it will be Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. This gives the staff team much needed time to update their knowledge and team building. The nursery will be closed on this day and you will not be charged, thank you.