

**July 2021 Newsletter**

**Dates for your Diary**

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Week commencing Monday 5th – Parent Meetings

**August 2021**

Monday 30th - Bank Holiday – Nursery closed

**Interests and Activities in Nursery**

**Roos**

The children are showing a great deal of interest in hair, their own, other children’s and the staff’s and we have introduced a hairdressers kit in the role play area where we talk about hair care, the children’s experiences of hairdressers and hair colours etc. This interest will be extended to include other occupations such as doctors, nurses, paramedics, police, fire people, shop and postal workers and vets in the role-play area and dressing up, with story books and songs as well as small world activities. These activities will encourage the children to be curious about other people and take an interest in different occupations.

**Parent participation –** Talk with your child about your own and family members different jobs and talk about different experiences such as going to the zoo and zoo keepers, going on the bus and bus drivers etc.

**Piglets**

The children are really interested in vehicles, from cars, to trucks to trains. We will extend this interest by introducing a variety of activities looking at road safety including making craft traffic lights, using traffic lights and road signs with the bikes and an obstacle course in the garden and introducing traffic lights and road signs with the small world equipment. These activities will encourage the children to notice detailed features of objects in the environment and to talk about and understand road safety.

**Parent participation –** Discuss road safety with your child, point out traffic signs, traffic lights, roundabouts etc with your child when you are out for a walk or drive.

**Tiggers**

In Tiggers the children are all beginning to write their own names and taking an interest in using scissors to cut snips in paper. These interests will be extended by offering the children opportunities to practice their cutting skills by cutting around shapes and also their writing skills by offering dot to dot, zig zags, lines and circles for the children to trace over if they are interested. These activities will enable the children to practice their writing and scissor skills encouraging them to show control in holding and using different mark making and cutting tools.

**Parent participation** – Encourage your child to practice using scissors at home.

**Christopher Robins**

The children will be starting to leave soon in readiness for them starting school in September and we will be celebrating this with a themed week ‘Colours of the Rainbow’ commencing 12th July 2021 where the children, and staff, can come to nursery dressed in their favourite colours or as a colourful character. We will be offering a variety of rainbow coloured activities, such as using paint to mix and create new colours, using different foods and spices to create dyes on fabric as well as having a few parties with party snacks and games.

**Parent participation –** Talk to your child about the colours around them at home and out and about.

**Photographer**

If your child had a photograph taken last week please could you login to view them and purchase any that you would like. The photographs are available to view and buy for a limited time with the order deadline date being Sunday 11th July so we ask that you do this as soon as possible, thank you. Thank you to those of you who have already ordered your photographs, we used a different photographer this time and have been extremely pleased with the results.

**Parents Meetings**

Thank you to everyone who have booked a parents meeting with your child’s key person either via telephone or Google meet. These will be taking place this week, if you have not booked an appointment yet and would like to please email the nursery so we can organise this for you.

**Staffing**

I am pleased to announce that we have a new full time maternity cover member of staff joining us soon, Tori, and we also had another member of staff joining our Flexi Support team, Mollie. We welcome both to our team and, hopefully, you will all be able to meet them soon.

**Student Activity Space**

Over the summer the college will be transforming some of the car park into a student activity space which will include seating, an external gym and table tennis. Below is rough plan of this space. As you can see we will lose some of the parking spaces that some of you use when dropping off and collecting your child. The actual nursery parking spaces will stay and you will still be able to use the rest of the car park. Please speak to me if you have any queries or questions, thank you.

