



August 2021 Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

August 2021

Monday 30th - Bank Holiday – Nursery closed

September 2021

Wednesday 1st - Parent Meet and Greet – 6:30-7:30pm

November 2021

Tuesday 9th – Photographer in Nursery

Wednesday 10th – Photographer in Nursery

Friday 19th - Children in Need

Saturday 27th - Christmas Fayre – Hopefully!

December 2021

Wednesday 15th – Nursery closes 6pm for Christmas Holiday

January 2022

Tuesday 4th - Nursery re-opens 8am from Christmas Holiday

Interests and Activities in Nursery

Roos

The children are really interested in playing with the dolls and enjoy giving the dolls a bath, changing their clothes and their nappies. We will extend this interest by talking about feeding babies and introduce bottles filled with cornflour and water for the children to feed the dolls with. They will also have an opportunity to clean the bottles and investigate the cornflour and water mixture. These activities will encourage the children to observe what people do and imitate what they have observed.

Parent participation – Please could you bring in a photograph of your child as a baby. The staff will also bring in photos of themselves as babies and will look at and discuss the pictures with the children.

Piglets

The children are joining in with a mini Olympic Games in the room with running, throwing, cycling, horse racing events and more. These activities will encourage the children to move freely with pleasure and confidence in a range of ways.

We are also learning the Makaton signs for – Thank you, Please, Good morning and Good afternoon.

Parent participation – Please practice the Makaton signs at home with your child. (See attached sheet)

Tiggers

The children are showing a lot of interest in wildlife – insects, stones etc in the garden. They have been using magnifying glasses to look at the insects and going on bug hunts in the garden area. This interest will be extended by offering a variety of insect books including the life cycle of a caterpillar and also a variety of caterpillar, butterfly, snail and other insect crafts. These activities encourage the children to talk about aspects in the natural world.

Parent participation – Go on nature walks with your child and encourage them to collect leaves, sticks etc to bring into nursery for them to show to their friends.

Christopher Robins

The children have been joining in with a variety of summer activities such as our beach display, making paper sailing boats for the water tray and discussing places to go such as the beach, the woods, play areas etc. We will extend this interest by discussing and introducing books, activities and crafts around transport to and places to go for days out.

These activities will encourage the children to retell past events and to use vocabulary base on events that are of interest to them.

Parent participation – Whilst visiting different places, going on days out discuss how you travelled there and what you can see, hear, smell with your child.

Staffing

It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Deepika and Melodie at the end of August. They are both relocating away from Basingstoke and we would like to wish them all the best for the future. We are advertising for their replacements and will let you know as soon as we have new staff members. If you have been informed that Deepika or Melodie will be your child's key person we will inform you shortly as to who their new key person will be.

Goodbye

It is that time of year when we say goodbye to all the children starting school in September 2021. Thank you for choosing BCoT Nursery to be part of your lives and we wish you all the best. We would love for you to send photos of your child in their uniform to us in September and would welcome any visits from you in the future.