



# Happy Nursery Days News Letter: March 2017



Our World Book Day Celebration was spectacular it was lovely to see all the children dressed up in their costumes and bringing in books of their choices. We had a big assembly and shared the lovely stories together. A BIG Thank You to all parents for supporting the various events held at the nursery.

## Baby Room (Little chicks)

The babies have been having great fun exploring different messy play activities in various ways such as floor painting dripping corn flour, sticking shredded paper, crunching cereal, ice creature and water play which they thoroughly enjoyed. Please ensure your child has suitable clothing and foot wear for daily outdoor play.

Happy Birthday to Arianna and Zain who turn 2yrs and will be moving to Little Ducklings, they will be missed dearly. We would like to welcome Eden James who is currently settling in.

## Little Ducklings/Cheeky Ducklings (toddlers)

**Little Ducklings**- In March, have been learning about spring. They went to the local park to explore the signs of spring and the lovely spring colours. They talked about the spring clothes.

As Mother's Day is just around the corner, the Little Ducklings would like to have **A Mother's Day Board** and are asking mummies to bring pictures of themselves and their children and would also like invite all mummies to arrange to come and read a story during their carpet time.

**Cheeky Ducklings** as spring is here, the children have been learning about the signs of spring and the changes in the weather. In relation to this the children have been reading the story about 'The Hungry Caterpillar' learning the days of the week and the different food the caterpillar ate in the story. They have also been exploring numbers, colours and shapes within the environment.

The role play area is currently been turned into the 'Hair Dressing Saloon' and would kindly like donations of combs, rollers, old hair driers, brushes and empty shampoo bottles.

Birthdays wishes to Katriel and Nasya who turn 3yrs and have both settled in very well in Preschool

## Clever Swans (Preschool)

Pre-schoolers have also been looking at spring. They have been exploring the garden looking at different plants and flowers which will lead to a planting activity in the coming weeks. They also focussed on a book about Frogs and Tadpoles which lead to the looking at the Life Cycle of a Frog.

For Expressive Arts and Design the made flower bracelets which was taken home. They also added to their Room Display paper plate flowers using different bright coloured tissue paper and paper plates to create.

During the coming weeks, the children will be exploring free movements to classical music and the role of a conductor in an orchestra and taken turns in conducting this will lead into our Graduation Production.



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## Parent Forum

Our first parents Forum of the year was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017. Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend. We discussed room transitions, the different areas of learning for each group and share ideas to improve services in the nursery.

## Important Dates

Parents evening	27 <sup>th</sup> March	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2017
Easter Holiday for term time children	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2017	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Easter Bonnet Competition		12 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Bank Holiday/ Good Friday		Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Bank Holiday/Easter Monday		Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2017



We are having an Easter Bonnet competition at the nursery on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017. The best and outrageous hat will win a prize. We are asking parents to make the hat at home and be creative

## Fees Review

As many of you parents will know, we haven't reviewed our Nursery fees over the years. However with the current financial climate we will be reviewing it in the next academic term (September 2017).

## Donations

We are still asking for donations for the following: old pots, pans, sieves, colanders, jugs, weighing Scales, plastic containers and other kitchen utensils develop our Mud/outdoor kitchen.



## Book Corner

We are developing our book areas in each of the rooms so; any unwanted good condition books will be much appreciated.

## Health and Safety

We are asking parents to please supervise their children at all times during arrival and departure to avoid children having accidents.

## Parents Evening

End of term parent's meeting is from Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> Friday 31 March 2017. Please arrange with your child's key person to discuss your child's progress or any concerns you might have. Each child is allocated 10-15mins. So please be mindful of staff ratio and other parents.

## End of term

End of term for term time children will be the Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017. Children return on the Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017.