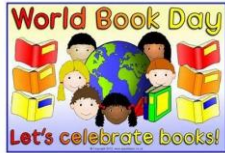




Happy Nursery Days Newsletter March 2022

Welcome to our March Newsletter. We would like to welcome all our new parents and children to the Happy Nursery Days family



It was lovely to see many children dressed up in their favourite costumes and bringing a book to share with peers. I am sure you saw the pictures on the App.

March Themes and Topics:

The whole nursery will be exploring various Topics, Themes and Events over the coming weeks. Through a wide range of activities, discussions, and stories, the children will be learning about St Patricks Day, Spotting Signs of Spring, and New Life on the Farm, Animals and Growth, Mother's Day.

St Patrick's Day



Children will explore St Patricks Day Celebrations by listening to traditional stories/ music & dance, looking at artefacts of shamrocks, leprechaun on the iPad. Children on Wednesday 16th March can wear something green to mark the occasion.

Early Signs of Springs



Observe /spotting the signs of spring, changes in natural environment, buds,

flowering, blossoms, spring flowers

- Understand weather conditions in springtime e.g.; sunshine, rain rainbows etc. New Life on the Farm, Animals and Growth

- Develop an awareness of various animals on the farm and their babies names e.g. sheep-lamb, cow-calf etc. And understand that spring is a time for new life on the farm.

Mothering Sunday



To develop an early appreciation of how our mummy's/guardians/carers help us and how we can show love and thank them in return. Each room will be planning various activities.

Easter



Is that exciting time of the year again at the nursery EASTER as part of our Easter activities, we will be hosting our annual "Easter Bonnet Competition" and Easter Egg hunt on Tuesday 29th March 2022. The best unique and creative bonnet will win a prize. We kindly ask parent for Easter egg donations.

Safeguarding:





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We continue to encourage all parents to inform the nursery of any existing injuries/accidents from home. Parents will be asked to complete an existing injury form. The nursery will also inform parents of any accidents that occurs in the nursery and ask parents to sign an accident form.

Sickness/illnesses

We ask parents to keep children at home if they are unwell. If a child is unwell, it is in their best interest to be in a home environment rather than at nursery with their peers, where it is impossible to give them the one to one care and attention they need. Children with specific illnesses such as vomiting and diarrhoea must stay at home until they have been cleared for at least 48 hours after the last episode before returning to nursery to protect other children and staff in the nursery.

COVID19

Although all restriction have removed as a nursery, we have a duty of care for all our staff and children. We ask that children and staff with any COVID 19 symptoms must follow the government guidelines and stay at home until they feel better as it is necessary to protect other children and staff from possible infection with COVID-19.

Funding:

Please check your eligibility for free early learning (15hours funding) if your child has turned 2yrs on the Lambeth website

To apply if you are a new 3&4 year old parent <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-2-to-4-year-olds>

To reconfirm if you are an existing <https://www.gov.uk/sign-in-childcare-account?step-by-step-nav=f517cd57-3c18-4bb9-aa8b-1b907e279bf9>

Parents must keep the code they receive safe, as it will be required to complete the Parent declaration form for Lambeth, which is mandatory if your child is receiving funding.

Help Paying for Childcare

Based on eligibility parents may be able to use one of the following schemes to reduce childcare cost. Tax Free Childcare- get up to £2000 per child, Universal Credit- claim back up to 85% of costs and Tax Credits-claim back up to 70% of cost for working families. To see if you are eligible for other offers please check childcarechoice.gov.uk

Speech & Language

Parents can support children's speech and language development at home, by following Talk & Play Every Day parents' guide link below from Evelina London

<https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/resources/patient-information/community-slt-language-guide-1yr-2yr.pdf>

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Giving/Receiving Feedback

We continue to remind parents that face-to-face feedback @ the beginning and end of the day will be brief to enable staff to meet





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ratio in the room. General feedback of your child's day will be on the App. However, if parents want to have a detailed discussion about their child, we kindly ask that you book an appointment with the manager or rooms leaders.

We also ask parents to be patient when collecting children at the end of the day, as staff need to attend to children's needs getting them ready and ensuring the ratio is covered before leaving the room.

Room/Room Transition

Children can only move to a new room if there is a place available. This means that sometimes a younger child may move before an older child if their registered sessions are available before the sessions of the older child. Management and Room Leaders will discuss room moves and agree which children will be moving to a new room after which parents will be informed.

Important Dates

End of term 1st April 2022- last day for term time children

Easter Bank holiday 15th April 2022–nursery closed

Bank holiday 18th April 2022 – Nursery closed

Staff Training 19th April- Nursery closed

Half Term 30th may -3rd June 2022

May bank holiday- 2nd may 2022 nursery closed

Staff Training- 16th Septemebr2022 Nursery closed

